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## Battered Liverpool slowly limps to calm

LIVERPOOL, July 6 (Agencies) — Palls of smoke hung over the streets of Liverpool's mainly immigrant Toxteth district Monday morning after the city's worst night of rioting in which 185 policemen were injured and 70 rioters, both blacks and whites, arrested, police reported.

"It's just unbelievable I've never seen anything like it," declared Merseyside police chief inspector Kenneth Hoskisson. In scenes reminiscent of the aftermath of World War II blitzes by the German Luftwaffe, bricks, bottles and glass littered Toxteth streets and buildings. In eight hours of pitched battles, police — forced to retreat under barrages of missiles — fired six canisters of teargas to disperse rioters.

Police, who at one stage said they had "lost control," reported the situation stable as dawn broke about 4.00 a.m. (0300 GMT) Monday over this depressed northwest English port, best known as the birthplace of the Beatles.

Fire alarms were still wailing over the city several hours after the rioting died down and city officials and owners of looted stores began counting the multi-million dollar cost of the second straight night of violence in Liverpool.

A total of 255 policemen were injured in the two nights of "serious public disorder," Merseyside deputy chief constable Peter Wright told a news conference. Forty-three of the officers injured overnight were detained in the hospital, one with a fractured skull, but none was in a critical condition, said

Wright.

Police and eyewitnesses reported both black and white youths involved in the rioting and looting. The presence of large numbers of white rioters — *The Times* of London reported the rioters were mainly whites — contrasted with the clearly racial violence which erupted in London's mainly Asian Southall district Friday night, and in Brixton, a one-third West Indian district of South London, three months ago.

The Southall trouble began after gangs of shaven-headed right-wing white youths, known as Skinheads, stoned Asian-owned businesses. Wright, who said he had no reports of injuries to rioters, said police would probably resort to teargas sooner if new troubles erupted.

According to some reports, Liverpool had been tense since police stopped a young black Friday night and told him to prove ownership of his motorcycle after a false tip that it was a stolen bike. But police spokesman maintained over the weekend the violence was an "orchestrated attack" against police by black and white hooligans.

In London, the British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher Monday described as "terrible" the weekend rioting in Liverpool and London. Mrs. Thatcher, opening an agricultural show in the Midlands, commented: "I am very concerned about what has happened. Most of us didn't think that these kinds of things could happen in our country. We must try to find out what happened," she added, "so as to ensure there was no repetition."

### UAE announces

## 9 banks to reduce branches

ABU DHABI, July 6 (AP) — The United Arab Emirates Central Bank has announced it was giving nine foreign banks two years to reduce the number of their local branches.

"Technical" reports have shown that the number of local branches of foreign banks was far in excess of society's actual needs," Central Bank Governor Abdul-Malek Al-Hamar said in a statement distributed by the official news agency WAM Sunday. "Most foreign banks have for long been winning the largest share of deposits in the country."

He said that a total of 89 local branches of the nine foreign banks will have to close down within two years, starting Jan. 1, 1982.

He did not name the nine banks, but said that national banks should broaden their activities throughout the country with a view to displacing foreign banks and render better services to the economy.

"No foreign bank should operate more than eight branches throughout the United Arab Emirates," said Al-Hamar.

He said the decree limiting foreign bank activities was taken in the interest of the economy and was not aimed against any bank in particular.

He also announced a decree streamlining activities of foreign investment companies, stipulating that each should hold at least 50 million dirhams (\$13.51 million) in fully paid

capital, 70 percent of which to be owned by UAE nationals.

Shares of these investment companies should henceforth not be sold on local markets before the passage of two years after the company's founding.

Al-Hamar also said that these shares may be sold locally if any company can show profits not less than 10 percent of its paid up capital.

This, he said, would prove that the company is worthy of offering its shares in the local market.

These companies will have to entrust the post of chairman of the board to UAE nationals, who also must make up at least two-thirds of the total number of any board members.

## 2 U.S. firms plan \$7 billion merger

WILMINGTON, Delaware, July 6 (R) — Dupont, the largest U.S. chemical firm, and Conoco Oil Company said Monday they had agreed a merger worth \$7.3 billion, apparently the biggest in history. Dupont is to offer cash and its own stock in return for Conoco's stock.

Dupont has been interested in becoming involved in oil production for some time, industry experts said. Meanwhile, Conoco has been trying to fight off an attempt by Canada's Seagram distilling company to buy its shares.

Conoco is the ninth-largest oil company and second-biggest coal producer in the United States. It has a very large investment in the British sector of the North Sea and has plans to increase its own petrochemical production. The announcement said the boards of Dupont and Conoco had made a definitive agreement on a merger. Dupont said its offer for Conoco shares was dependent on being able to obtain a majority of them.

Some 86 million Conoco shares are held by investors, but the number of shareholders was not immediately known. Industry experts said the value of \$7.3 billion would make it the biggest merger in history. The value of the Dupont cash and stock offered for Conoco shares was based on the closing price of Dupont shares July 2.

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INDUSTRIAL BREAKTHROUGH: Red ants magnified 50 times are seen being used to reveal a new industrial breakthrough. The ants are appearing with particles of metal powder that are not bigger than the size of the ant's eye. Development of this powder is the basis of a new technique designed to create metals with completely new and improved qualities. Revealed by the United Technologists Company of Hartford, Connecticut, USA, the method permits the making of alloys that are more heat resistant and lighter in weight for use in aircraft, etc. Scientists and engineers consider the advance a considerable breakthrough.

### Over portfolio

## Begin-Dayan talks hit snag

TEL AVIV, July 6 (Agencies) — Coalition talks between Prime Minister Menachem Begin and former Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan ran into an early snag Monday over Dayan's request to be made chief negotiator on Palestinian autonomy, government sources said. They said the two men agreed to meet again.

Begin needs the two parliamentary seats won by Dayan's Telem Party in last Tuesday's general election to cement the coalition he is planning with three religious parties. Long before the election, Dayan made it clear there was only one cabinet post he wanted — responsibility for negotiations between Israel, Egypt and the United States on granting self-rule to Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

But Begin had already promised to leave this job in the hands of Interior Minister Yosef Burg, head of the Religious Party (NRP). With six seats in the Knesset (parliament), the NRP is more important to Begin than Dayan.

After the two-hour meeting, Dayan and Begin's spokesman would say only that the discussion was about principles and that the talks would continue. But a source close to Begin acknowledged the autonomy issue had proved an obstacle. The NRP's deputy leader, Haim Drunkman, told a radio interviewer he had been told by Begin that Begin could keep the autonomy job.

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The daily *Da'or* reported Monday that Begin had asked Burg whether he would accept a vice-premiership and given Dayan his present job of Israeli negotiator in talks with Egypt and the United States on autonomy.

The 66-year-old ex-general declined to

answer questions after his talks with Begin, but read aloud a prepared statement saying

"the discussion centered on the possibility of (Dayan's faction) Telem joining the government. There was a clarification of principles and it was agreed that the talks would continue."

## 'Africans populate faster'

NAIROBI, July 6 (AFP) — Africa's population, now 470 million, will keep growing until it reaches 2,000 million early in the 22nd century, a U.N. expert said here Monday.

Raphael Salas, executive director of the United Nations Fund for Population Studies, was opening a parliamentary conference on population and development in Africa, whose people are multiplying faster than in any other region in the world. The present population of the continent represents a 113 percent increase from the 220 million of 1950. With its current growth rate of three percent expected to hold for at least a decade, Africa will have more than 850 million people by the turn of the century, Salas said.

Addressing legislators from 22 African member states of the interparliamentary union, the U.N. official said that in a number of African countries, birth rates are among the highest in the world. He noted that while the rate for the continent as a whole had declined from 49 to 46 births per 1,000 people in the last 25 years, the rate for some countries had risen — among them Kenya, where it is now 54 births per 1,000.



At the same time, mortality rates had dropped sharply: 17 percent now, as against 27 percent in 1950-55. Salas recalled that in the last decade, food production had grown far more slowly in Africa than in other underdeveloped regions.

## Mark at record low; \$10 sliced off gold

LONDON, July 6 (Agencies) — The West German mark sank to its lowest for almost five years against the dollar Monday and the French franc to a 23-year low as the U.S. currency moved up strongly again on foreign exchange markets.

Another \$10 was sliced off the price of gold, which was fixed at noon in London at \$403.75 an ounce after it had opened in line with Friday's closing rate of \$414. There were no new reasons for the dollar's latest surge other than the high level of U.S. interest rates, dealers said.

The dollar rose to 2,4520 marks in Frankfurt at one stage, some three-and-a-half pfennings up on Friday's quotations and its highest since October 1976. It later settled just below 2,45 marks and dealers said they believed the Bundesbank, the West German Central Bank, was intervening to help the mark.

The French franc, after some weeks of stability, was also sharply weaker at 5.7930 to the dollar, its lowest for 23 years, compared with 5.7350 Friday. The French authorities lowered one of their key interest rates last week from the crisis level of 22 percent employed to stem pressure on the franc after the Socialist presidential election victory.

On the Paris exchange, the dollar reached an all-time record of 5.80 francs in trading, compared to 5.726 Friday. The French franc, meanwhile, was irregular against the other major Western currencies.

The mark was at 2,367 francs, compared to 2,374 Friday, the pound 10.92 francs compared to 10.85, the lira 4.77 francs against 11)

### U.S. interest rates

## Joint stand may elude EEC

BRUSSELS, July 6 (AFP) — Significant progress by the European Economic Community (EEC) on working out a request to the U.S. to moderate its high interest rate policy seemed unlikely here Monday ahead of a meeting of the economy and finance ministers.

A West German source said the Bonn government's position had not changed on this point. In contrast with France which wants the EEC to adopt a joint stance in order to put pressure on the U.S., West Germany considers that, after a long period during which the Americans have been urged to harness inflation, it was not possible now to reproach them for doing it, even if their counter-inflation policy led to very high interest rates.

The British are also hesitant about criticizing the American administration, especially since the policy conducted by Premier Margaret Thatcher's government is also inspired by "monetarist" theories. Italy, which like the other EEC members is seriously affected by the present situation, thinks the present inconveniences may be preferable to boosting inflation in the United States as this would not fail to hit the EEC countries too.

As for EEC commission's stance, it was spelled out recently by its vice-chairman, Francois-Xavier Ortoli of France, who told the parliament in Strasbourg that the community as a whole must speak in unison on the U.S. interest rate. Ortoli reminded the parliament that individual member countries were committed to take into account the problems and requirements of the other EEC partners — particularly in matters relating to the chief reserve currency, the U.S. dollar. Meanwhile, West German sources said

that Bonn is still hesitant about a plan to renew the EEC facility to promote structural investments and to increase funds available to it. Sources said the recent doubling of the capital of the European Investment Bank already constituted a considerable effort in this direction. They also added that it was too early to discuss this question in depth, in that negotiations on the reform of community policies have not started.

Meanwhile, president of the European Economic Commission Gaston Thorn, who flies to Washington Friday, armed with a list of European grievances about U.S. economic policies, told the *International Herald Tribune* in Paris Monday that the U.S. government must realize that, for West Europeans, defense matters cannot be dissociated from their economic worries.

"No-one expects miracles or big decisions at the Ottawa summit, but we want a sign that the Reagan administration is starting to accept our grievances as legitimate and is ready to take our problems into account as soon as it can," he said. He went on: "Believe me, when a European asks himself if he can still trust U.S. security guarantees, economic solidarity is the main test of credibility."

There was no tension yet in European-U.S. relations, but there was a clearly perceptible anxiety among Europeans who wondered when the U.S. administration "will start adapting its policies to help us." Thorn also said: "I think our patience — some would call it weakness — is proof of our profound friendship for the United States. This capital of U.S.-European friendship hasn't been eroded yet, but we need to find a basis now for the period ahead."

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## King endorses plans for students abroad

TAIF, July 6 (SPA) — King Khaled Sunday approved the recommendations of the Supreme Committee on Saudi Arabian Students on Scholarships abroad headed by Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan.

Sheikh Hassan ibn Abdullatif Al Sheikh, the higher education minister and chancellor of Saudi universities, said that formation of the committee had been ordered by King Khaled to examine the situation of Saudi nationals studying on a scholarship abroad and try to solve their problems and provide for them the proper climate for studying comfortably.

Students in North and South America, Canada, Europe, Japan and China will receive a regular SR2,600 per month. Those studying in other countries will receive up to SR1,600 monthly. Another SR4,000 annual

allowance will be given to single students and SR8,000 to those who are married as health care indemnity. But the state will cover all the expenses of necessary and urgent surgery if approval has been secured from the Education Office.

Monthly stipends will be increased by 50 percent in case the married student is joined by the wife throughout the latter's stay abroad. Another 25 percent will be paid for each child living with the student, with a maximum 50 percent. There will also be allowances for buying books and equipment and publishing research or undertaking trips. Incentives also will be given to the students for reaching higher standards.

The Ministry of Education and the Presidency for Girls Education will be entrusted, together with the Saudi Arabian education offices abroad to prepare studies on the problem of students unable to enjoy the company of their children abroad because there are no schools offering similar programs to those of the Kingdom. Sometimes, the students are compelled to leave their children behind because of that problem. A solution will have to be found for that problem, according to the committee's proposals approved by the King. Likewise, special programs will be devised for the children of scholarship students returning from abroad to help them readjust to the Kingdom's educational programs.

Moreover, a sum of SR50,000 will be granted to every graduate who will accept to join the civil service, on condition that he studied as a regular and not a free student, because most of the graduates face a housing problem when they graduate and because such a problem is not confined to those studying abroad; it also affects those studying in Saudi Arabia.

Figures released by the French office said France imported a total of 17 million tons of Saudi Arabian crude in the first four months of 1981 for a cost of F.F. 22.5 billion (approximately \$4 billion). This represents a cost increase of 192 percent and a volume increase of 80 percent over the same period last year, the announcement said.

Although French exports to Saudi Arabia for the same period increased by 73 percent to F.F. 2.3 billion (\$403 million), this still left France with a trade deficit of F.F. 20.2 billion (about \$3.5 billion).

France's trade deficit with Saudi Arabia at the end of 1980 stood at F.F. 29.9 billion (about \$5.2 billion), the announcement added. It said French oil imports from Saudi Arabia rose as result of the cutoff of Iraqi imports following the outbreak of the Iran-Iraq war in September last year.

## SR350m hospital to be built in Riyadh

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, July 6 — A contract for the construction of what is claimed to be the most-advanced private hospital in Riyadh was signed here Sunday between the owners, the Saudi Medical Services Ltd. and the French company of Sain Rapi Et Price.

The contract for SR350 million will build a six-story hospital with all the usual services plus the latest techniques and specializations, according to the General Manager Ahmad Al Sunusi. He said that the hospital will have brain and heart scanners and nuclear medicine making it one of the first of its kind in the country. Its emergency services will include a helipad on top to save time and allow the ambulance men to beat traffic jams.

The 200 "treatment rooms," as Sunusi called them, will be equipped with the latest in French medical technology and the hospital itself will spread over an area of 65,000 square meters which will take two years to build.

Sunusi said that the government had agreed to contribute to the cost of construction as it does with every privately funded project of the kind, but that the company has not yet actually received the loan.

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## COMMENT

By Ramzi Addas  
Okaz

I was a regular visitor to a relative who was under treatment at a famous hospital in an Arab country. One day I was taken by surprise to see doctors and nurses running in confusion and preparing a de luxe room for a young man who was brought there on a stretcher. They had cleaned his stomach from a large quantity of sleeping pills that he had swallowed in a suicide attempt.

I understood that the young man was the only son of one of the wealthiest persons in town owning a chain of commercial establishments. The youth had nothing to do except to enjoy life and possess more than half a dozen limousines of different models for his pleasure rides. If he had anything to do, it was just to undertake tours of different world capitals where he squandered his time as it pleased him.

The examining magistrate, sitting close by asked him the reason that prompted his suicide attempt. He said he had become sick of his idle life which had become boring.

This incident lingered in my memory, and every morning when I get up at the alarm bell and prepare myself for work, I remember that it is, in fact, the day's strain that gives me the pleasure of sleep. I also realized that it is the hunger that makes me feel that the delicious food laid on the table is a blessing of God. If I had not exerted efforts in obtaining my requirements I would not really have felt any joy in having them.

I thank Almighty God for all His blessings, and I am fully convinced that I ought to strive and exert for the fulfillment of my desire and I must leave the result in the hands of God. Life should not be made dull but ought to be lived with zest and filled with activity.

## Saud chairs envoys' meeting

By a Staff Writer

TAIF, July 6 — Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal continued Monday to meet with 50 Saudi Arabian ambassadors to review the international situation and explain the role of the Kingdom's foreign policy in world affairs.

The meeting which opened at the Sheraton, Hada, Saturday will continue for the next few days. A responsible source said that it aims at discussing the internal regulations

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**Execution threat to Bani-Sadr****Governor assassinated in Iran**

BEIRUT, July 6 (Agencies) — Gunmen assassinated the governor general of Iran's Caspian Sea Province of Gilan Monday, a day after Islamic revolutionary judge Muhammadi Gilani warned fugitive ex-President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr to "repent" or face execution.

"Bani-Sadr deserves execution," Gilani told a news conference Sunday at Tehran's Evin Prison. "He can return to the Imam's fold and repent. He will then get the Imam's pardon. Otherwise, he (Bani-Sadr) will be subject to the people's penalty, which is executing him," the judge said.

Ayatollah Khomeini has frequently called on the deposed president to repent and serve the Islamic revolution as a writer and a thinker. But Bani-Sadr was reported by Turkish and British newspapers last week to have rejected the amnesty offer, calling on the people of Iran to "rise and resist tyranny before it is too late." Gilani said authorities had no word on Bani-Sadr's whereabouts. But Kurdish opposition sources said he is hiding in the northern region of the autonomy-seeking Kurdistan province near the Turkish border.

Observers in Tehran quoted usually reliable Kurdish sources as saying a message was broadcast July 2 by the clandestine radio of the outlawed Kurdish Democratic Party quoting Bani-Sadr as calling for the nation of 36 million to "resist tyranny."

After the Kurdish language broadcast, the observers said, about 1,200 Islamic revolutionary guards loyal to Khomeini staged a village-to-village search for the ex-president but could not find him.

At the same press conference, the revolutionary tribunal's prosecutor, Assadollah Lajevardi, disclosed that the main suspect in the murderous bombing attack in Tehran last Sunday on the headquarters of the

**Sadat to visit Britain**

CAIRO (AFP) — Sadat will make an official two-day visit to London in August at the invitation of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, the weekly newspaper *Mayo* said. The visit will take place either August 2 and 3 or 8 and 9, just before or just after Sadat's scheduled trip to the United States. Sadat is expected to meet also in August with Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky and Belgian King Baudouin.

**Sadat expects Khomeini fall**

CAIRO, July 6 (Agencies) — President Anwar Sadat says that the present state of chaos in Iran provides the extreme left with a golden opportunity to overthrow the regime of Ayatollah Khomeini.

In an interview published Monday with *Mayo*, the weekly organ of his ruling National Democratic Party, Sadat also predicted that the Iranian armed forces may be tempted to make use of the situation and stage a coup against Khomeini's regime. "Anything could suddenly happen ... there as a result of the current state of total chaos, I don't exclude the possibility of the extreme left sweeping upon Khomeini and seizing power...and I don't

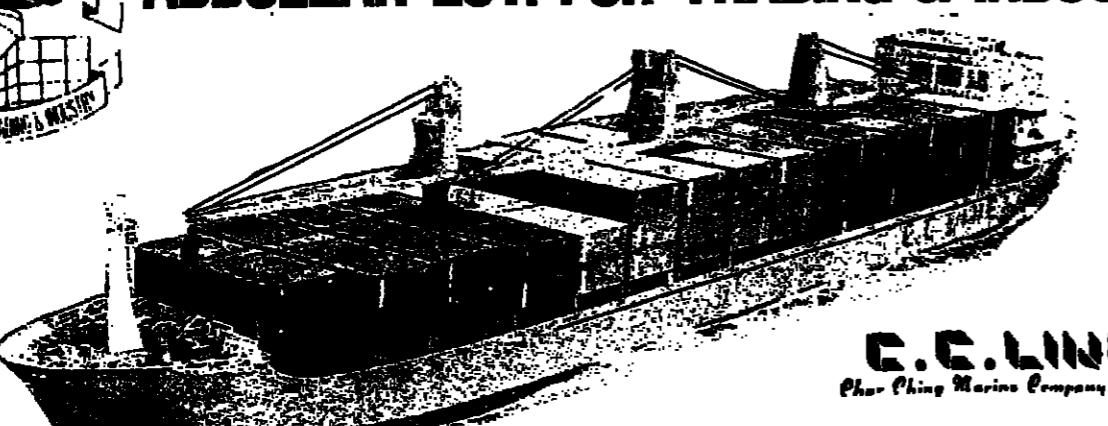
exclude a coup by the Iranian armed forces," Sadat was quoted as saying.

"When everything is lost, when darkness and terrorism prevail, then anything could be expected and anything could happen," Sadat added. Sadat strongly criticized Khomeini for boasting that he is leading an Islamic revolution. "It is not an Islamic revolution. It is a Khomeini-style revolution based on revenge, blood and terrorism," Sadat said.

Sadat said the bombing of the Tehran headquarters of the Islamic Republic Party last Sunday in which more than 70 party leaders were killed was "a warning to Khomeini that his rule is coming to an end."

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**Ghali to visit Latin America to seek men for Sinai unit**

Motorcycle gunmen assassinated the governor general as he was driving to his office in the city of Rasht, Iran's official Press news agency said.

The Governor, identified as Engineer Ansari was rushed to hospital after the shooting but was pronounced dead shortly afterward. His undersecretary for development affairs Engineer Nurani, who was riding with the governor, was badly wounded, Press news agency said.

It quoted unnamed witnesses as saying the assassins on two motorcycles fired shots into the governor's car, using Israeli-made machine guns.

The agency did not speculate on the identity of the assassins. But motorcycle assassinations have long been the trade mark of Forghan, an underground group opposed to clergy dominance in Iran's politics. Forghan claimed responsibility for a number of assassinations, including Ayatollah Khomeini's first chief of staff Maj. Gen. Valiollah Gharami, before 16 of its members were rounded up and executed in January 1980. The group has since claimed responsibility for motorcycle attacks on prominent clergymen, including Parliament Speaker Hojatoleslam Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, Supreme Court Justice Ayatollah Abdul-Karim Musavi Ardabili and Hojatoleslam Sadeq Khalighi, a parliament member and former judge.

He said the three countries had agreed on the formation of the force, to which the U.S. would contribute \$100 million, half the estimated cost of the force in the first year. Because of the absence of U.N. sponsorship, as envisaged in the peace treaty between Egypt and Israel, a number of countries have rejected informal requests by the United States and Egypt to contribute troops to the peace force.

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But Forghan has been inactive during the climatic period of year-long power struggle that cost liberal President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr his job at the hands of the nation's clergy rallying behind the Islamic Republican Party.

Ranged behind the now fugitive ex-president in the conflict were various leftist groups led by the Mujahedeen Khalq party.

Most of the more than 100 officially-announced executions in Iran in the last three weeks involved members of the Mujahedeen Khalq and their opposition allies, the Marxist-Leninist Peykar and Fedayeen Khalq.

Authorities have announced that more than 1,500 leftist arrests have been made in connection with anti-government riots staged to protest Bani-Sadr's ouster three weeks ago and bomb massacre one week ago of Chief Justice Ayatollah Muhammad Hussein Behesti along with more than 70 IRA leaders and activists at the party's Tehran headquarters.

In another development, the newspaper *Keyhan* reported that an Iranian found guilty of adultery by an Islamic court was stoned to death Sunday at Kerman in southeastern Iran. The sentence was carried out by a group of "faithful," *Keyhan* said.

Stoning is provided for in draft law that is to go before the Iranian parliament.

Teheran radio, in the meantime, announced that Iran's police seized a total of 42,998 illegally-held weapons in the month ending June 18 and arrested 255 persons in connection with their possession. These figures covered the period just before the dismissal of Bani-Sadr June 21 and the subsequent massive crackdown on opponents of the Revolutionary Party. Another 1,224 persons were arrested during the month for other contraband activities, the radio added.

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**West Bank Palestinians question court authority**

NABLUS, West Bank, July 6 (R) — The trial of four Palestinians accused of murdering six Israelis was adjourned on its first day Sunday after defense lawyers challenged the authority of the court.

The court ruling is expected Monday. The four Palestinians, all from the Israeli-occupied West Bank, are accused of killing six Israelis and wounding 16 in an ambush in May last year in the town of Hebron.

The attackers escaped, but the four men were arrested in September. The charges allege the four joined the Fatah organization in Jordan and that they returned to the West Bank two years ago with orders to attack Jewish settlers. One had military training in the Soviet Union, it was alleged.

Defense lawyers said the court had no authority because the men were prisoners of war and the trial was illegal under the Geneva

**By Pakistan opposition**  
**Zia urged to hold elections**

KARACHI, June 6 (Agencies) — The outlawed party of executed Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto and other anti-regime groups issued a joint statement Sunday, the fourth anniversary of Bhutto's overthrow, demanding the release of political prisoners and the holding of elections.

A meeting of an opposition coalition, the Movement for the Restoration of Democracy, was convened by Maulana Ehsanul Haq at the Karachi office of Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party (PPP) in violation of a martial law ban on political gatherings. Haq is acting secretary general of the PPP.

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**'Abdus Sattar must quit before polls'**

DACCA, July 6 (AP) — The president of the Bangladesh People's League Dr. Alemal Reza said Sunday that acting President Justice Abdus Sattar should resign if he wants to run in the Sept. 21 presidential polls.

The prominent opposition leader told a press conference that Abdus Sattar, nominated as a candidate by the ruling Bangladesh Nationalist Party, was constitutionally barred from the elections as he holds an office of profit. He also questioned whether other possible candidates in the election, Gen.

Gen. Ghulam Osmany, retired Gen. Wasudin and Dr. Kamal Hossain, were qualified because they are not native to Bangladesh or come from military backgrounds.

Gen. Osmany ran as the opposition candidate in the last presidential election but was defeated by the late President Ziaur Rahman. Hossain's name is being mentioned as a possible candidate of the country's leading opposition party, the Awami League, which has begun a meeting here to decide its position in the election.

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## Floods cripple India

NEW DELHI, July 6 (AP) — Thousands of marooned inhabitants were evacuated to safer places Monday as torrential monsoon rains and flooding rivers swamped additional districts in northern and northeastern India.

The rain-swollen Manu and Deo rivers Sunday inundated vast tracts of farmland and made thousands of people homeless in the tiny northeastern Indian state of Tripura, the United News of India reported. The state government set up relief centers to provide aid to flood victims, the agency said.

In neighboring Assam state, much of which has been flooded by the Brahmaputra River and its tributaries, incessant rains destroyed thousands of more homes and four bridges in the districts of Dibrugarh, Cachar and Goalpara, the Press Trust of India reported.

Oil production in Assam remained crippled for the fourth consecutive day because of inundation of oil fields, PTI said. The national park of Kaziranga, renowned for the Indian rhinoceros, was reported swamped by the Brahmaputra, forcing the mammals to head for high ground.

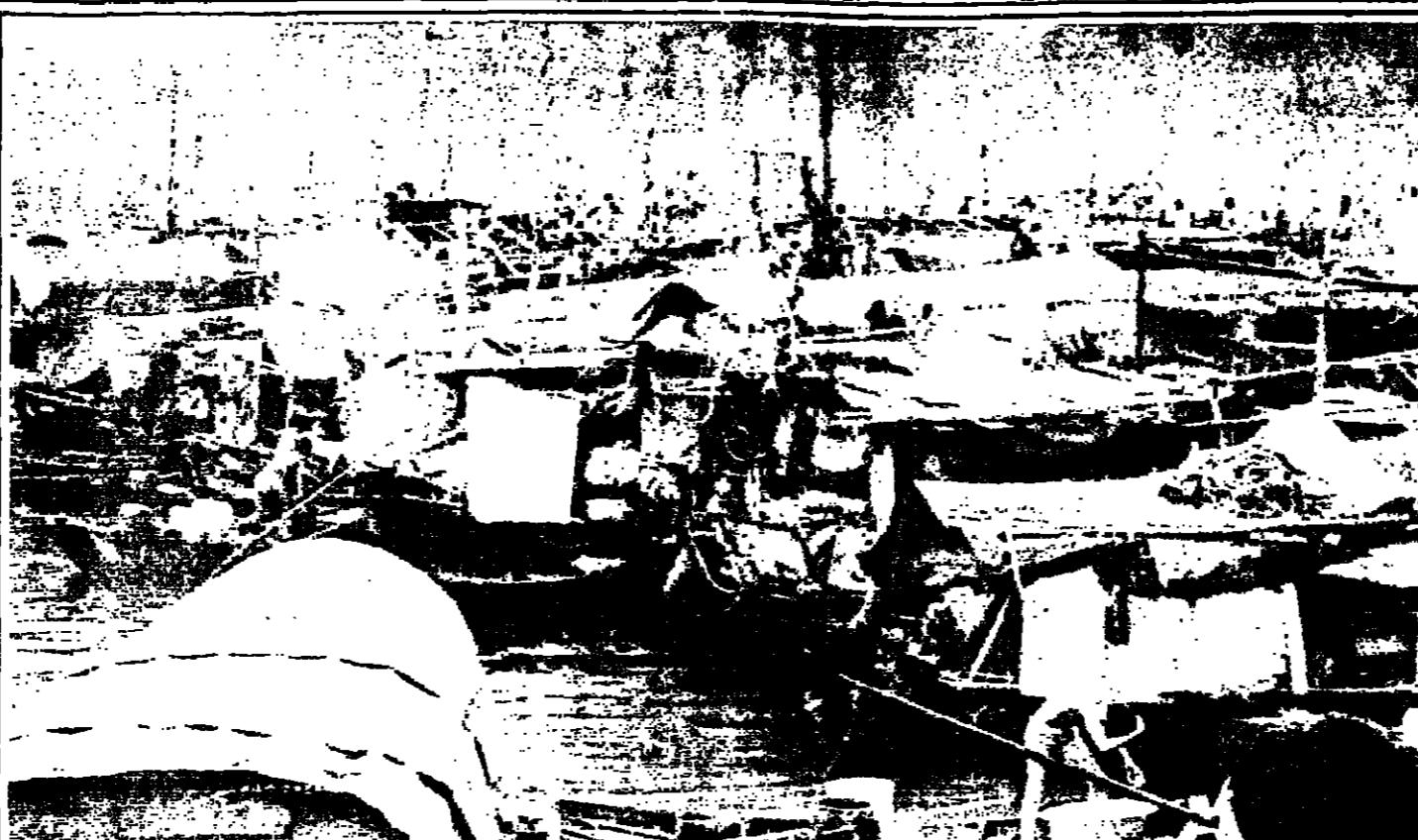
The surging floodwaters knocked out communication and power lines in parts of Assam, isolating several towns, UNI reported. The state's main highways and rail tracks were reported under floodwaters. Army troops and government relief workers were trying to reach tens of thousands of stranded persons in eight of Assam's 10 districts, the agency said.

Incessant rains and three landslides in the Darjeeling district of India's West Bengal state disrupted road and rail traffic and paralyzed activity, UNI said. The river Balason flooded several villages in the region, forcing the residents to move to safer areas, the report added.

Meanwhile, nine more flood-related deaths were reported from the most populous Indian state of Uttar Pradesh, raising the nationwide flood fatality toll to at least 71. Six persons were killed Sunday in house collapses caused by heavy rains, PTI said.

The Ganges River, which flows through India's northern plains, inundated two towns and scores of villages Sunday in Uttar Pradesh and the neighboring state of Bihar, UNI reported.

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister V.P. Singh, the state's top elected official, appealed to Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's central government to rush additional army units for emergency rescue operations in the flood-ravaged districts.



**TYphoon shelter:** Fishermen return to the typhoon shelter at Yau Ma Tei in Hong Kong Monday fearing the approach of the tropical typhoon Lynn. The No. 8 signal was hoisted, halting all air, sea and most land traffic.

## Typhoon halts activity in Hong Kong

HONG KONG, July 6 (AP) — Hong Kong continued to wait in suspense, with almost all activity at a standstill, as severe tropical typhoon Lynn remained stationary about 130 nautical miles south of Hong Kong.

Damage in the British crown colony was so far slight with only 11 persons being treated in hospitals, mostly for minor injuries after being hit by flying objects. A total of

46.4 mm of rain had fallen by 6:00 p.m. helping to raise the low levels of the reservoirs, while there were ten cases of minor flooding in the new territories.

All schools and banks were closed as the No. 8 signal was hoisted early Monday morning due to approach of Lynn, which along with earlier typhoon Kelly, had killed some 240 persons in the Philippines.

At Kai Tak airport, 20 flights were can-

celed and a number of others delayed. In the harbor, 145 ocean-going vessels were seeking shelter, with no incidents reported at sea.

The U.S. aircraft carrier *Midway* and three escort ships put out to sea ahead of scheduled departure time. Because of the *Midway*'s size it was dangerous for it to shelter in harbor, a spokesman for the U.S. consulate explained.

## Hard-liner assumes power in Vietnam

BANGKOK, July 6 (AP) — The naming of hard-line ideologue Truong Chinh to the powerful new post of chairman of Vietnam's state council may, according to some Western analysts, quash moves to liberalize the country's tottering economy.

Although access to Vietnam's inner leadership circle is virtually impossible, Bangkok-based diplomats have noted "ominous signs" in speeches by Chinh that he was squarely on the side of old guard revolutionaries who opposed free-market policies introduced late last year.

In fact, last month when Chinh's profile in Hanoi was soaring, some of the liberalization

measures were being axed. The measures, including incentives in factories and on farms, were introduced by younger, more pragmatic technocrats who wanted to see the Marxist economy lifted out of the quagmire of recent years.

However, the elevation of Chinh and other government changes announced Saturday will probably not alter Vietnam's basic foreign policy. The official Vietnamese media continues to take a staunchly pro-Soviet line and to attack China and the United States for alleged collusion against Hanoi. Hanoi also shows every sign of maintaining its military forces and its political power in neighboring

Cambodia and Laos. The 73-year-old Chinh will head the newly created council of state, the most powerful government body which was mandated by a new constitution in December 1980. Subordinate to it will be the National Assembly and the council of ministers, chaired by former Premier Pham Van Dong. Chinh is also ranked No. 2 in the Communist Party hierarchy, which in Vietnam, as in most other Communist countries, is what really counts.

A reportedly austere, behind-the-scenes planner rather than a charismatic leader, Chinh has been at or near the pinnacle of power since 1930 when he helped found the Indochinese Communist Party.

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## Attack on mission

## Uganda minister vows to sack errant soldiers

KAMPALA, July 6 (AFP) — Military officials in Uganda, embarrassed by the international uproar over the recent attack by government troops on a mission in West Nile province, killing 60 refugees sheltering there, have promised to remove unsuitable soldiers from the army.

But Vice President and Defense Minister Paulo Muwanga, speaking in a Ugandan television interview, stopped short from directly censuring the troops involved in the attack. He said nothing about any punishment of the killers and failed to promise improved security measures for the people of West Nile.

Instead, Muwanga said that he was unhappy with "the false report filed on security in Uganda by the staff of relief agencies operating in the country" and he told the agencies to "approach and talk to the Uganda government instead of foreign radio stations."

The Ombo mission was attacked by government troops, apparently either in error thinking there were opposing forces among the refugees, who panicked on seeing the troops, given by the mission in retaliation for the medical treatment to wounded troops. First reports of the massacre came from relief agencies in the province.

The defense minister blamed what he called bad elements in the army on the improper recruitment by the two post-Idi Amin governments of President Yusuf Lule and Godfrey Binaisa, which he said had failed to consider the merit and background of the recruits.

But this excuse is not likely to satisfy the international relief agencies, which pulled out of West Nile after witnessing the attack on the mission. Some, like the Red Cross, took the rare step of issuing press statements condemning it.

Relief workers, while admitting that some soldiers loyal to former President Idi Amin had been treated in the mission hospital, maintained that the mission should not have been attacked as it was under Red Cross protection and because the government troops met with no armed opposition inside the mission.

The Uganda government, for its part, has insisted that the relief workers at the mission had treated forces opposed to the government, supplied them with food and fuel, and

that all the dead were those forces included.

Commander identified as Maj. Galla. But this does not explain the women, children killed or wounded in the attack, which was sheltering an estimated 8,000 refugees. And the Ombo incident was not the first of its kind in West Nile province.

In October last year, when government forces launched their first attack on the provincial capital of Arua, the town was almost completely destroyed in a counteroffensive by the Ugandan army and Tanzanian forces which had been present in the country since the overthrow of Idi Amin.

In March this year, the official *Uganda Times* newspaper ran a front page story "carriage" in the province's Mandi district "indisciplined and ill-trained government militiamen." The report was later denied by the Uganda government, and the journalists who filed the report was detained for weeks and then sent out forced leave. A there was no official censure of the militiamen, while the remaining popular of Mandi fled their homes, as did the people of Arua last month.

West Nile, which is the tribal homeland of Idi Amin, has remained a troubled province ever since he was overthrown. And it is felt that its troubles are by no means over. The latest occurrences coincided with the withdrawal from the country, apart from a few officers, of the last of some 10,000 Tanzanian troops who had tended to exercise a moderating influence on tribal hostilities between West Nile people and the Langi and Acholi tribes.

The renewed unrest also coincided with the beginning of the harvest season in West Nile. The flight of people means most crops are again going to be lost this year, as no one can be there to harvest, and the province will have to continue to rely on international aid.

There is doubt whether the aid agencies who withdrew after the Ombo attack feel sufficiently secure to return their staff to West Nile, while a key question is what happens now that the Tanzanians have left the anti-government forces are waiting just a few miles outside Arua.

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After talks

## Hopes rise for end to IRA hunger strike

BELFAST, July 6 (AP) — A Roman Catholic delegation left the Maze prison early

Monday morning after its second session of talks with eight hunger strikers in 24 hours and hopes rose that the hunger strike that has claimed four lives may be nearing an end.

The British government's Northern Ireland Office made no comment, but a British official who refused to be identified hinted here was "the possibility of an early breakthrough."

The five members of the Irish Commission of Justice and Peace, a mixed body of priests and laymen set up by Ireland's Catholic bishops, left the prison outside Belfast at 1:40 a.m. (0040 GMT) after three hours of talks

with the hunger strikers.

The talks also included Brendan MacAuliffe, a convicted killer who is leader of "Provisional" Irish Republican Army guerrillas in the Maze, said a spokesman for the H-Block Committee backing the hunger strike by the guerrillas in the H-shaped blocks of the Maze.

The spokesman, who refused to be named, said MacAuliffe spent the night in the hospital wing of the prison for further discussions with the eight guerrillas at present on hunger strike after the departure of the commission.

The meetings took place against the background of the rapidly nearing death of IRA guerrilla Joe McDonnell. The 30-year-old hunger striker entered the 59th day of his fast Monday and was reported "extremely weak."

In a previous session, the commission conferred Sunday with the hunger strikers for six hours. A British government spokesman said early Monday that no new meetings so far had been arranged between the commission and the hunger strikers.

But there was speculation that the Roman Catholic team would meet Britain's minister of state for Northern Ireland, Michael Allison.

The meetings appear to signify the most concerted bid yet to end the hunger strike.

The hunger strike began March 1 when Bobby Sands, who was elected a member of the British Parliament during his fast, began refusing food in support of the prisoners' demands to be allowed to wear their own clothes, do no prison work, associate freely and get more mail. Both the British government and the hunger strikers' supporters say the demands would amount to political status for the jailed IRA guerrillas.

Tossing 6,000 eggs and 70 kgs of bacon into a specially made three-meter wide pan, they tossed out a giant omelet weighing nearly a ton, and enough to feed 4,000 persons at the village fete Sunday.

To rub the salt and the pepper into the omelet they invited the holders of the former record, from the nearby village of Lusigny, to see what professional omelet making was all about. The Lusigny record-breaker only took 5,000 eggs to make. The Saint-Agnan frying pan alone weighed 400 kgs.

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## U.S. grants political asylum to Soviet ballerina

ISTANBUL, July 6 (AP) — U.S. consular officials here have granted political asylum to Galina Dzurshina who defected from the Soviet Union's Bolshoi ballet Saturday and she is expected to leave Turkey for the United States within two days, a top American official said.

The official, who asked not to be named, spoke from the American Embassy in Ankara Monday morning. He said the 27-year-old Miss Dzurshina probably would be granted a visa for the United States by late Monday.

Dzurshina a non-soloist member of the Soviet dance company, was reported missing Saturday after she left a group of dancers on a sightseeing and shopping trip in Istanbul's main thoroughfare, Turkish police reported.

According to Turkish police sources, Dzurshina left her hotel early Saturday and joined other dancers from her troupe on a walk down street when she apparently decided to mix with crowds and disappear until her re-appearance at the U.S. Consulate. She went directly to the U.S. Consulate and remained there overnight while American consular officials contacted the embassy in Ankara and sought instructions on how to handle the defection bid, sources said.

But there was speculation that the Roman Catholic team would meet Britain's minister of state for Northern Ireland, Michael Allison.

The meetings appear to signify the most concerted bid yet to end the hunger strike.

The hunger strike began March 1 when Bobby Sands, who was elected a member of the British Parliament during his fast, began refusing food in support of the prisoners' demands to be allowed to wear their own clothes, do no prison work, associate freely and get more mail. Both the British government and the hunger strikers' supporters say the demands would amount to political status for the jailed IRA guerrillas.

Others subjects would include Western offers to negotiate reductions in nuclear missiles, European Economic Community efforts to mediate a settlement in Afghanistan, as well as as various economic and bilateral matters.

Genscher, who also leads the minority coalition partner Free Democratic Party, was expected to meet with Bulgarian President Todor Zhivkov, Foreign Minister Petar Mladenov and Premier Grisha Filipov.

German sources noted that Bulgaria remains one of Moscow's closest allies within Eastern Europe and that Zhivkov enjoys the Kremlin's trust.

### BRIEFS

PARIS, (AP) — French people are almost indifferent to the entry of four Communist ministers into the government last week, according to a public opinion poll published here Monday. The conservative daily newspaper *Quotidien de Paris* said that 39 percent of French voters were "indifferent" to Communist ministers. But 45 percent of those questioned considered that the Communist ministers should not be shown defense secrets.

OTTAWA, (AP) — Canada's wedding gift to Britain's Crown Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer on July 29 will be an antique Canadian bedroom suite, notably comprising a four-poster bed, it has been revealed here. The Canadian government had been hoping to keep the gift a secret but the identity of the gift leaked out.

BARCELONA, Spain, (AP) — Eight prisoners deemed "extremely dangerous" by the authorities escaped Sunday from Barcelona's Modelo jail, police sources said. They got out after threatening wardens with knives and a gun, then mixing with Sunday visitors to the prison. The eight are serving terms for armed robbery.

BANGKOK, (AP) — Cambodian Foreign Minister Hun Sen left Phnom Penh Monday for a visit to Europe, the Middle East and Asia, the official Cambodian SFK news agency, monitored here, reported. Hun Sen who is a member of the pro-Vietnamese Cambodian regime's party central committee and vice chairman of the Council of Ministers, will go to East Germany, Hungary, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, India and Syria.

PEKING, (AP) — Chinese Foreign Minister Huang Hua returned to Peking Sunday after visiting India, Sri Lanka and the Maldives. The New China News Agency described the tour as "successful".

ABU DHABI, (AP) — Indonesian Vice Premier Adam Malik has indicated that Sri Lanka's application to join the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) will be taken up for discussion at the next foreign ministers' meeting, it was reported here Sunday. In an interview given in Jakarta to the United Arab Emirates daily *Khalas Times*, Dr. Malik said that for many years Sri Lanka has been eager to join ASEAN, which groups Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia and the Philippines.

American authorities withheld official confirmation of the incident, but Turkish authorities said the approval came late Sunday after consultations with the U.S. State Department.

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## CONFICTING SIGNALS

Washington is still giving contradictory signals over the issue of mutual reduction of armaments in Europe. Recently, U.S. Congress was told that talks with the Soviet Union over disarmaments could not resume before next spring. U.S. Secretary of State Haig, on the other hand, had already told NATO foreign ministers as they met in Rome six weeks ago that the United States will be ready to start talking this fall.

The discrepancy is doing nothing to ease the mind of Western European governments, for whom the deployment of the new generation of medium range missiles has become a pressing internal issue. The Soviets have already deployed their SS-20, directed at the cities of Europe, while the Americans are pushing on with their program to install the Pershing and Tomahawk missile throughout the area.

The European view is that talks now over the issue could indeed resolve it. The economic and political cost of the American missiles is seen as extremely burdensome, while the Russians are giving signs of willingness to come to terms. This view has already met with discouragement from Washington, but it is persisting. The Russians for their part have complained that America is trying to revive the cold war — the most recent example of this were President Leonid Brezhnev's words to his guest, former German Chancellor Willy Brandt.

The fear in Europe is that the issue in Washington is obfuscated by parties whose interests are diametrically opposed to disarmament, namely, the arms manufacturers themselves.

## Saudi Arabian Press Review

Newspapers Monday mostly led with a report on the Arab Follow-Up Committee on Lebanon, saying that the committee did not find any solution to the Phalangist-Zionist interaction and its deliberations have been postponed until July 25. Meanwhile, *Al-Bilad* gave lead coverage to a report in which it quoted French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson as saying that France will not deliver any arms to Israel.

*Al-Jazirah* frontpaged a meeting of 50 Saudi Arabian ambassadors now being held in Taif to discuss the international situation and Saudi Arabia's diplomatic role abroad. Newspapers frontpaged a royal decision to increase the stipends of Saudi Arabian students studying abroad. In a page one story, *Al-Medina* reported that there is a campaign in Burma to oust Muslims from the country's Arakan region.

The European Economic Community's reported warning to U.S. President Reagan against the risks of his economic policy appeared prominently on the front page of *Okaz*, while *Al-Bilad* quoted West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher as saying that the Soviet government's "conservative response" to the idea of holding a conference on Afghanistan would constitute a step toward building confidence between the East and the West.

In an editorial, *Al-Medina* concentrated on the Israeli elections and said that the Jews still believe that they are able to continue their occupation by force, imposing their solutions on the Arabs and rejecting the wishes of the international commun-

## KOSOVO remains closed province

By Mark Frankland

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia —

Yugoslavia, a country created from the belief that different nationalities can live together in peaceful equality, remains badly shaken by the upsurge of nationalism in its Albanian-speaking province of Kosovo. Four months after demonstrations in which several thousand ethnic Albanians took part, Kosovo remains closed to all foreigners and Yugoslavs without a special pass. Cinemas are shut and public gatherings, apart from the ceremonial evening stroll along the high street, are banned in Pristina the provincial capital, and several other towns.

The sizable army and police contingents rushed in to make a show of force remain in place. Tanks and armored personnel carriers are kept discreetly to the side of one main road leading into Pristina and militia are quartered in an apartment block in the capital's center. Policemen patrol the streets carrying Kalashnikov automatic rifles with the stock removed. This display of force is evidence not so much of persisting tension in the province, for on the surface there appears to be little or none, as of alarm about what a Kosovo out of control could mean for Yugoslavia.

This country is made up of six national republics and two autonomous provinces, of which Kosovo is one. The demonstrators wanted Kosovo to become the seventh republic. Suspicious Yugoslavs, above all the Serbs to whose republic Kosovo belongs, fear this would lead to demands to leave the Yugoslav federation altogether and to join Albania, on whose northeast border Kosovo lies.

Thus, many Yugoslavs believe would be the beginning of the end for their federation. Other republics, the occasionally restless Croatians above all, might want to go it alone.

The old quarrel with Bulgaria over the Yugoslav republic of Macedonia might assume a new and far more menacing shape. The opportunities for any foreign power that wished to weaken Yugoslavia would be enormous. Senior officials in Belgrade already murmur their suspicion of a Russian hand obscurely at work, just as they have long suspected Russian support for Bulgaria over the Macedonian quarrel.

Unfortunately for Yugoslavia, Kosovo is one of those ancient problems which the passage of time seems only to toughen. Some of its elements are laid out before you if you drive from Pristina across the fertile plain of Metohija to the town of Pec. There are two modern factories on the outskirts of Pec, one belonging to Kosovo's biggest enterprise, a mining and manufacturing conglomerate that employs 20,000 people. At the end of the war all but some 5 percent of Kosovo's inhabitants were illiterate. Since then, above all in the last decade, they have been initiated into the ways of industrialization, two-thirds of which had been paid for by Yugoslavia's richer republics.

Simple people for whom family, clan and even the blood feud remain the heart of life have been moved into concrete blocks and confronted with the impersonal discipline of factory and city. On the plain of Kosovo, where in 1839 the Turks defeated the Serbs to begin five centuries of domination, the smoke from an immense coal-burning power station billows over the tomb of Sultan Murad, the champion of that earlier battle.

In Pec the evening promenade starts at an ambitious new hotel but continues past little shops that belong to the old East: pastry cooks, barbers, tailors and butchers with whole carcasses of sheep and goats in the window. Most of the strollers are young, for more than two-thirds of Kosovo's people are under 29 and one in four is at school or university.

It is the Albanians, not the Serbs, the other main nationality in the province, who are growing fastest. They have an astonishing birth-rate of more than 27 percent and make up three-quarters of the population. The young strollers wear the same baggy jeans as the kids in Belgrade but when the demonstrations had been put down they took to buying the white Albanian skullcap, and to stop this nationalist gesture the authorities shut down the shops that sell them.

At the other side of the town, at the head of a mountain gorge that leads to Montenegro, is the Patriarchate of Pec, birth-place of the Serbian Orthodox Church and still a sacred place for Serbs. The little dark church is served by 24 elderly nuns. Their refectory and living quarters were burned down at the start of the disturbances and there are hints it was not an accident. The nuns feel safer now they have been given a policeman armed with a rifle to guard their gate.

Rapid industrialization and a population explosion coming at the same time as the creation of a national intelligentsia are anywhere a recipe for disturbed national awakening. Yugoslav fears about what this means for their federation are strongly colored by the emotional Serbian insistence that Kosovo was, and is must always be, Serb. Did not the glorious defeat at Kosovo serve to nourish their patriotism through five centuries without freedom? Serbs are particularly indignant over rumors of Serbs being terrorized into leaving Kosovo. — (ONS)

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## Deng faces task of saving 1 billion from poverty

By Phil Brown

PEKING —

Armed with a declaration that he was right and the late Chairman Mao Tse-tung was wrong, Deng Xiaoping still faces the formidable task of bringing one billion Chinese out of poverty. Deng, China's guiding hand, has won a Communist Party Central Committee resolution that the "great helmsmen" was wrong in trying to do it with grandiose "great leaps" and gigantic struggles against imagined capitalists.

Deng has advocated a more gradual, realistic approach, without major political disruptions to what he calls the central economic task. An irate Mao purged him in 1976, the resolution says.

In a major speech on the party's 60th anniversary last Wednesday, new Chairman Hu Yaobang talked of a "long and tortuous" road ahead to remedy low living standards and "many pressing problems." Hu likened the task to climbing Mt. Tai, one of China's sacred mountains. To make sure people got the point, newspapers published a map of the 6,293-step route up the 1,545-meter mountain.

It is the ally Deng installed in place of Mao's chosen successor, Hua Guofeng. Hua was denounced in the resolution for sticking too closely to erroneous policies of Mao and obstructing the redress of injustices. Deng, who wields his power from a vice chairman's position, earlier had put

economic innovator Zhao Ziyang in Hua's former post as premier.

Some of the economic problems they face are common everywhere — inflation, budget deficits and unemployment. Others have distinctly Chinese names — "iron rice bowl" and "eating from the big pot."

The party newspaper *People's Daily* began the year with a warning that economic bumbling could fan popular discontent. Another paper declared that inflation and deficits were not the fault of Deng's steps to boost material incentives for workers and farmers, but resulted from Hua's "left" error of trying to push heavy industry too fast.

Some Western analysts suggest that one reason for the long delay in the Central Committee meeting that demoted Hua was that the economy took precedence. The committee did meet, as expected, last December, but concentrated on economic cures. Soon afterward, the government slashed spending on heavy industry and issued bonds to take money out of circulation. It already had banned price increases.

In an effort to deal with unemployment, now estimated at 10 million, and the demand for more consumer goods and services, individuals and small collectives have been allowed to set up their own businesses, something the Maoists denounced as capitalist.

Meanwhile, the authoritative magazine *Fortune Review* told readers not to believe those who said inflation had wiped out income increases.

Last week, acting Light Industry Minister Song Jiven said that with incomes rising, it might take five years for production of bicycles, sewing machines and watches to catch up with demand. On other questions, economist Xue Muqiao, whose prominence suggests that he reflects the leadership's thinking, has dissected waste, inefficiency and the "iron rice bowl" — a guaranteed job that leaves many workers content to relax at work.

"The kind of thinking that treats the 'iron rice bowl' as a superior feature of socialism is mistaken," Xue declared recently. He also denounced "eating out of the big pot." This can refer to individuals getting equal pay no matter how well they work, or to industries receiving state support regardless of profits. This is no incentive to improving management, Xue said.

Both in agriculture and industry, new systems define individual responsibilities more closely and provide for more pay for more work. Factories are being given greater responsibility for their own profits and losses to avoid a blind push to meet central plan quotas regardless of quality or demand.

Properly managed, Xue said, socialism is superior to capitalism, but he said a capitalist auto factory can turn out more than one million cars a year while some Chinese factories turn out fewer than 200, at an "alarming" production cost. In the capitalist country, competition would have killed the inefficient plants, he said.

Western analysts say it probably will take some time for the policies at the top to produce results at the lower level. Resistance has been reported from officials who gained their jobs, and their way of thinking, under Mao.

In his speech, Hu declared: "Comrades at a lower level must respect and obey the leadership of comrades at a higher level. They must not feign compliance while actually violating or resisting instructions from the higher level." (AP)

## Letter to the editor

### Insurance contributions

Sir,

My attention has been drawn to misleading information given in reply to a letter in the April 21 issue of your daily paper in the "Letters to the editor" column. The reply said: The money paid may be transferred to the worker's home country insurance system.

This information is incorrect if applied to Great Britain. There is no reciprocal agreement between the two countries and contributions paid by British workers in Saudi Arabia to the Saudi scheme cannot be transferred to Britain's national insurance system.

Yours faithfully  
E. W. H. Shepard  
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British Embassy



Sino-Saudi cooperation fruitful

# Jeddah Hospital begins new surgery program

By Bill Wang

JEDDAH, (CNA) — The successful beginning of open-heart surgery services in the Jeddah General Hospital early in June by a team of Chinese and Saudi doctors opened a new page in the fruitful Sino-Saudi health cooperation.

The open-heart surgery team led by Dr. Hung Chi-ien, head of National Taiwan University Hospital's surgery department, is the first one to operate in the second largest city in the Kingdom and the only one outside of the capital, Riyadh.

Since June 1, a total of nine patients have undergone successful operations performed by the team. All of the patients were in good condition after the operations and the first one, a 19-year-old woman who had had her four-cm.-wide opening in the atrial septum closed by Dr. Hung, was discharged from the hospital only one week after the operation. Dr. Hung has performed open-heart surgery on well over 4,000 patients in the past 17 years.

The leading Chinese heart surgeon is here on a temporary stay to help get the new services started, and as soon as everything is brought on the right track, he will leave the work to a Saudi surgeon, Dr. Hassan Raffa, and his Chinese colleague, Dr. Chiu Ing-shih.

The beginning of the new open-heart surgery services in Jeddah is of special significance in many aspects. There were previously only two hospitals in the Kingdom with open-heart surgery services, one being King Faisal Hospital and the other the Armed Forces General Hospital. Because of the limited capacities of the two hospitals, the Saudi Health Ministry used to send more than 200 people every year to Europe for open-heart surgery.

With the new team operating in Jeddah, Minister of Health Dr. Hussein Al-Jazairi says, most of such patients will be able to undergo treatment at home. What may be more significant is the fact that the success represents a landmark in the history of Saudi Arabia's medical development since Dr. Raffa is the first Saudi surgeon to perform open-heart surgery in the Kingdom.

Both the open-heart surgery teams in King Faisal Hospital and the Armed Forces Hospital are run by foreigners, and the Jeddah team is expected to be the first to have a complete Saudi staff. Dr. Hung has emphasized that the Chinese are here mainly to help train this staff. The success is an example of the fruitful Sino-Saudi cooperation in the field of health.

The Sino-Saudi health cooperation dates back to 1979 when a group of 100 Chinese doctors and nurses were sent by the Veterans General Hospital in Taipei to run a private hospital here, the New Jeddah Clinic Hospital.

Even though it is a private hospital, the project caught the attention of Dr. Al-Jazairi

from its outset since the minister was also trying to find qualified personnel to run the five major hospitals being built in various parts of the Kingdom as part of his ministry's efforts to bring the health care in the Kingdom up to the world standards.

The minister made a visit to the Republic of China in May, 1979 and concluded an agreement with the Chinese government on cooperation in running two of the five hospitals, each with 500 beds.

In December 1979, the Hofuf General Hospital was opened by several hundred Chinese doctors, nurses, and engineers. And 10 months later, the Jeddah hospital also

began to admit patients after the arrival of another several hundred Chinese medical personnel.

The Hofuf and Jeddah hospitals were the first two among the five hospitals to begin functioning, and they soon established themselves as the standard-bearers of the Saudi Health Ministry's medical modernization drive as a result of the joint efforts made by the Chinese and Saudi personnel.

For example, apart from being an open-heart surgery center, Dr. Al-Jazairi also wants to develop the Jeddah hospital into a plastic surgery center. In the past nine

months, a Chinese surgeon, Dr. Lin Ching-yun, has made a resounding success in treating patients with cleft lip, broken jaws, and other facial injuries caused by car accidents.

The Hofuf hospital has been doing equally well. A corneal transplant center will soon be established there after the arrival of a group of Chinese oculists. It will be the first under the Health Ministry.

As Dr. Al-Jazairi points out, there are still many areas where the two countries can cooperate after the success in open-heart surgery. The growing cooperation will, no doubt, further cement the bonds of friendship between the people of the two countries.

## Down memory lane

### 140-year-old reveals secret of long life

JEDDAH — The secret of long life is moderation according to 140-year-old Sheikh Muhammad Al Sawaji. The oldest resident of the Al-Qasim area recently told *Al Medina* he thought most modern diseases were caused by excessive eating.

Sheikh Muhammad was extremely poor during his youth and remembers that in Ramadan, people ate almost nothing. He often had to beg the *iftar* (afternoon break-fast) from his neighbors and once during this occasion, the whole family shared a single date that fell from the mouth of a bird.

When asked his age, Sheikh Muhammad says "140, and God willing, the remaining will be more." From the age of 12, until now, he has not missed one day of fasting during Ramadan.

A hard life, according to Sheikh Muhammad, is not enough reason for a premature or untimely death. He remem-

bers life when it was hard in Saudi Arabia, especially for him when he was toiling to stay alive. He described heat then as resembling the inside of an oven, with no way to get away from it. He laughs about the air conditioned world of Saudi Arabia today, with air conditioners everywhere, at home, in the office, even in cars.

He remembers one time, long ago, when someone came to his village bringing a new invention called a bicycle. The residents of the area gathered around him. They wanted to trash him and break the bicycle.

Sheikh Muhammad recently refused to sell his house for SR200,000, although it cost him only SR5 when he built it 70 years ago.

When King Khaled visited Al-Shammaseyyah, late last year, Sheikh Muhammad told him about his souvenirs from King Abdul Aziz and the two men

discussed his life there. Before the King left he ordered a pension of SR1,000 per month for the "young man."

Sheikh Muhammad told *Al Medina* he married six women and broke out laughing when asked: what he thought about the dowry problems these days.

"The price of my first wife was a casserole," he said. "The bride refused to accept me as her husband that night when a crack was discovered in the brass pot."

"I had to wait for the next morning to take the casserole to the blacksmith and have the crack repaired. Then we were married without any problem."

The price of the second wife was repairing the well of his would-be father-in-law who could not pay the labor costs, Sheikh Muhammad recounted.

The third wife married him when he bought a chicken for her little child.

"One day this little child asked me to give him a chicken. I refused, but promised him to do that if I married his mother." The boy went home with tears in his eyes and told his mother that Sheikh Muhammad "will give me a chicken if you marry him."

The young widow went straight to the imam of the nearby mosque and took him to Sheikh Muhammad to become his third wife.

Sheikh Muhammad recounted that the highest dowry he ever paid for one of the other three wives was "an exorbitant SR10."

He resents football as it has nothing similar with the sports of the good old days in Saudi Arabia, such as horse-riding, hunting and shooting. Asked about Al-Hilal (football) Club. He laughed. For him the word *Al-Hilal* in Arabic means only one thing: The Crescent in the sky. There is no *Hilal* on earth, he said.



140-YEAR-OLD: Sheikh Muhammad Al Sawaji, the oldest resident of the Al-Qasim area, and perhaps the oldest person in Saudi Arabia challenges a reporter to a foot race.

## Sea-squirt produces chemical

### Cancer researchers test drug as a potent cure

By Graham Stewart

proved promising and excited scientists investigating the potential to cure cancer.

Now the U.S. National Cancer Institute, always on the lookout for drugs to combat the disease which accounts for one of every five deaths in this country, is evaluating didemmins.

Scientists at the Upjohn Laboratories in Kalamazoo, Michigan, carried out preliminary studies and reported didemmins to be effective against at least two forms of cancer and virus infection like influenza and herpes.

"We can't say it's a breakthrough at this stage because a lot of work has to be done on

it and we don't know if it will work on humans," cautions Upjohn's China-born Dr. Li Hsieng Li. "But there is no doubt it is very promising, very interesting class of drug."

Dr. Li who has been engaged in cancer research for 16 years, says: "we have established that didemmins are anti-tumour and anti-viral."

He says his tests showed didemmins worked against leukemia and melanoma (skin tumours) in mice. The drug doubled the survival rate of mice with leukemia, he adds.

Dr. Kenneth Rinehart, the University of Illinois scientist who first detected the chemical properties of the sea squirt, is also cautiously hopeful. "With their potent anti-viral and cytotoxic (cancer-killing) activities, the didemmins offer considerable therapeutic promise," he says.

But scientists at the National Cancer Institute in Washington are extremely circumspect in talking about the potential of didemmins, or for that matter any new drug hailed as a cancer cure before extensive clinical testing on humans.

### Mongolian people are in the middle, China, Soviet Union arm frontlines

By Brian Jeffries

First in a series

both cases the reason is the same — Russian paranoia."

Recent travellers on the Trans-Mongolian railroad from the Outer Mongolian capital of Ulan Bator to Inner Mongolia report seeing a wide variety of military installations and equipment on the journey.

A Western embassy technician who earlier this year made the journey said: "I saw Russian and Mongolian troops galore, two large radio stations obviously designed for long-range communications, a train carrying tanks, and troop transport planes at a military airfield south of Ulan Bator. The Gobi Desert was criss-crossed with the tracks of heavy wheeled military vehicles."

Other travellers report seeing concrete missile silos. In the face of such military might, the ill-equipped Chinese would have little chance of stopping any land invasion spearheaded by Russian tanks and superior Soviet air power.

As a result, according to Western military analysts, they have apparently withdrawn their main forces hundreds of miles south and south-east to the mountains rimming China's industrial and energy-producing heartland.

AIR-RAID SHELTERS READY

In the event of any invasion by Russia, the 700,000 people of Hohhot, the Inner Mongolian capital, would apparently be tucked away just behind one of China's first defense lines in the nearby Ta Qing mountains. The city, which stands on the railroad, has a vast network of air-raid shelters which one Mongolian described as "big enough to drive a jeep through." But a request to inspect them brought the excuse from a Chinese guide: "They are under maintenance."

Hohhot is a district military headquarters with responsibility stretching up to the border some 280 miles to the north. But, except for the occasional truckload of troops and small groups of People's Liberation Army soldiers strolling the crowded streets in the cool of the evening, there is little obvious sign of military activity.

It is only on the drive north over the rugged Ta Qing mountains that more extensive preparations to hold off the Russians become apparent. The summit of the tortured, winding pass is well fortified, and the mountains on either side are laced with tunnels, tank

traps and interconnecting trenches along which soldiers move. Army barracks are visible in the valleys below the pass.

Two years ago, when China and Vietnam fought their border war, Soviet troops in Outer Mongolia drove their tanks almost up to the frontier and fired blanks as Soviet fighters roared overhead.

But these days the frontier is apparently quiet. "Whether there is tension depends on Soviet foreign policies," says Hebu Zhang, a Mongolian official. "After all, Outer Mongolia is a satellite of the Soviet Union."

There are even limited exchanges between Mongolians on either side of the frontier, he says, with China granting occasional visas to Outer Mongolians wishing to visit their relatives, and similar visits in the other direction. Representatives from both sides also meet regularly to exchange horses, sheep and camels that have strayed into each other's territory.

RUSSIAN FEAR BASED ON FACT

The Russian fear of China and invasion from the east is embedded in history. Nearly 800 years ago, after sacking Peking, the Mongol hordes of Genghis Khan gathered on the high plateau around Ulan Bator and swept through Asia and up to the gates of Europe. The Russians were unable to throw them out for 250 years and have not forgotten.

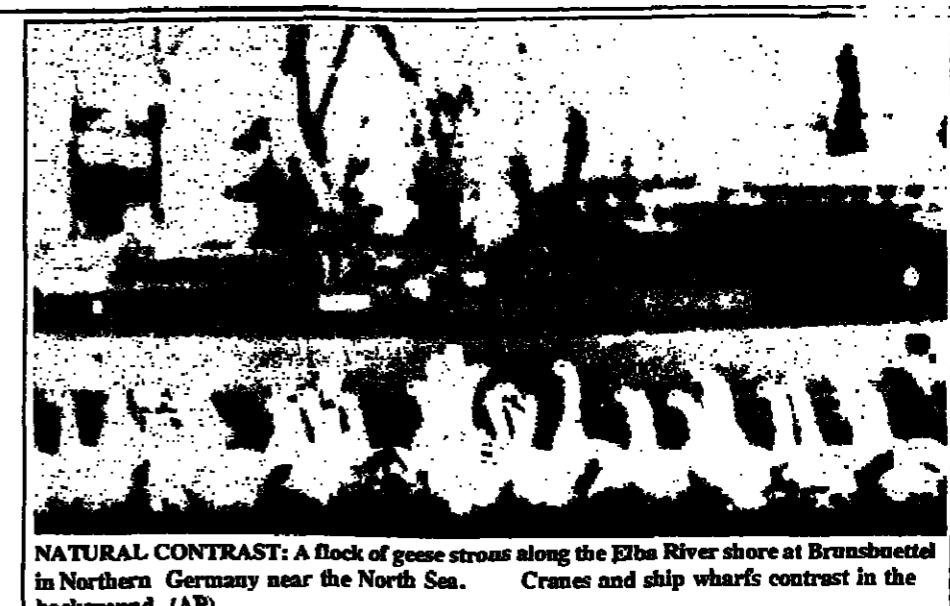
During the Cultural Revolution, Genghis Khan fell from favor with Peking, and was described as a monster from an oppressive society, but last year he was restored to his pedestal as a folk hero and statesman.

The Russians were quick to react. The newspaper *Sovetskaya Kultura* claimed China was attempting to polish the legendary conqueror's image to "spur its absurd and dangerous plans for the seizure of foreign lands. The reality," it added, "was that he drenched Asia and Europe with blood and destroyed flourishing civilizations."

But perhaps Moscow was premature in its hasty reaction. The latest word in Hohhot is that Genghis Khan's place in history is again under review. His achievement in uniting contentious tribes of the Mongolian grasslands is approved of, but the Chinese are taking a second look at his role as an imperialist.

RUSSIANS PARANOID

A Western military analyst based in Peking said: "Soviet equipment on the China front is as modern and sophisticated as that in the east ranged against the NATO countries. In



NATURAL CONTRAST: A flock of geese struts along the Elbe River shore at Brunsbüttel in Northern Germany near the North Sea. Cranes and ship wharfs contrast in the background. (AP)

## U.S. city fathers worried how to stop blight, decay

NEW YORK, (R) — How to arrest urban decay and maintain basic services is causing headaches for authorities in the big cities of America's northeast and midwest that were once in the forefront of the U.S. industrial boom.

Paradoxically, one of the few places giving grounds for optimism is New York, once regarded as the sick man of American cities and a typical example of decay with high crime, whites fleeing to the suburbs and financial chaos as weighty public services soaked up money faster than business could make it.

New York has made dramatic improvements since it narrowly avoided bankruptcy in 1975, although a fierce debate is raging over whether this recovery is permanent.

In a controversial report last month, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York concluded that a close review of the economic data for 1980 does not warrant an optimistic conclusion about the city's long-term prospects.

According to the report, the city's economy is still in a transitional stage, moving out of manufacturing and into service industries. But it says the city's infrastructure is deteriorating at so rapid a rate that it weakens New York's long-term prospects and demands huge capital investment.

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At the heart of the problem is the decline of the city's public transport network, especially its underground rail system.

Nevertheless, New York no longer seems the sickest of America's cities. Boston, for instance, is probably in more trouble at the moment.

In a tax revolt last November, Massachusetts residents voted a drastic measure to reduce property taxes in the state. A 15 percent property tax cut comes into effect this year. To comply, Boston Mayor Kevin White is attempting to slash the city's operating budget by laying off 44 percent of the city's workforce, including firemen and policemen.

At the same time, the city's autonomous school district ran out of money, overspending its \$210 million budget by \$40 million. The result is a fiscal crisis. Officials claim the city will survive — but Boston and 37 other Massachusetts cities and towns are currently suspended from borrowing on public markets.

Some of the major midwestern cities are becoming economic invalids as they lose population and industry to the "sun belt" states stretching across the south from Florida to California. The flight of people and jobs from the "frost belt" means a shrinking tax base for the municipal authorities to run the cities, burdened with infrastructures that are wearing out.

At the same time, inflation in the last few years has pushed up the cost of maintaining schools, hospitals, mass transit systems and other public services. The industrial boom that brought prosperity to cities like Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland and St. Louis in the first half of the 20th century has waned. Now they face a daunting challenge to arrest the decline that has accelerated in the last decade.

Chicago, second largest city in the nation and heart of the Great Lakes manufacturing belt, lost 361,000 people in the 1970s and the population fell to three million for the first time since the 1920s. Chicago also lost vital business — nearly 2,000 factories and 4,500 shops. It has grown as a financial center but not nearly enough to offset the big drain from manufacturing industries.

Chicago has had to borrow heavily to sustain government services and its debt has nearly doubled since 1974 — from \$452 to \$820 for every man, woman and child.

Last year Mayor Jane Byrne was forced to raise the real estate tax by 20 percent to balance the \$1.4 billion city budget. The tax provides the biggest chunk of city revenue, with only 4.4 percent coming from the federal government and 4.2 percent from state taxes.

The cities are not expecting any relief from the Reagan administration, saying heavy cuts in federal spending will mean even less financial help from Washington.

St. Louis, which has lost 27 percent of its population since 1970, has just axed more than 1,000 jobs from the city payroll to wipe out a \$54 million deficit. The cuts hit a wide range of services from street cleaning to health centers.

Detroit is in a far worse plight. Mayor Coleman Young warns that the car capital of the world will go bankrupt if the city does not approve a one percent tax increase. A severe recession in the motor industry has been a factor in Detroit's decline and unemployment is about 11 percent.

Another factor has been a steady drift of white residents to surrounding suburbs, mainly to take advantage of better schools and services. Detroit's 1.3 million population is now 64 percent black, with many of the blacks poor and jobless.

Cleveland is slowly pulling itself out of the financial mire after defaulting in December 1978 on repaying \$14 million to local banks. It was the first U.S. city to default since Detroit nearly half a century before during the great depression. The city voted out Mayor Dennis Kunich, a young firebrand whom many blamed for the fiscal mess, and voted to levy a half-percent city payroll tax to raise an extra \$35 million.

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## Australia takes lead over England

LONDON, July 6 (AFP) — Ray Bright made 33 his highest Test score — to give Australia the lead over England in the second Test at Lord's on the fourth day here Monday.

After breaking through with the new ball with lbws from Graham Dilley and Bob Willis, England looked set for a narrow first innings advantage. But Bright took England captain Ian Botham aside and lifted Australia from 268 for eight to overtake England's 311.

Bright hit two fours in the same over from Botham as England's hopes slumped. Dennis Lillee took over from Bright — lbw to spinner John Emburey at 314 — to continue a disappointing morning for England which ended with Australia 17 ahead, on 328 for nine.

Earlier, England took the new ball as soon as it became available and struck when Graham Dilley trapped Rodney Marsh lbw with only four added to the overnight 253 for six.

The runs came from a firm square-cut four by Marsh — 43 overnight — when John Emburey dropped short. Bob Willis shared the attack and forced Ray Bright to struggle anxiously for survival.

Australia were on 257 for seven, 54 runs behind when Marsh was dismissed. England picked up another wicket when Willis had Geoff Lawson lbw for five leaving Australia on 268 for eight.

Dennis Lillee was next man in to partner Ray Bright and the Australian fast bowler set about the England bowling.

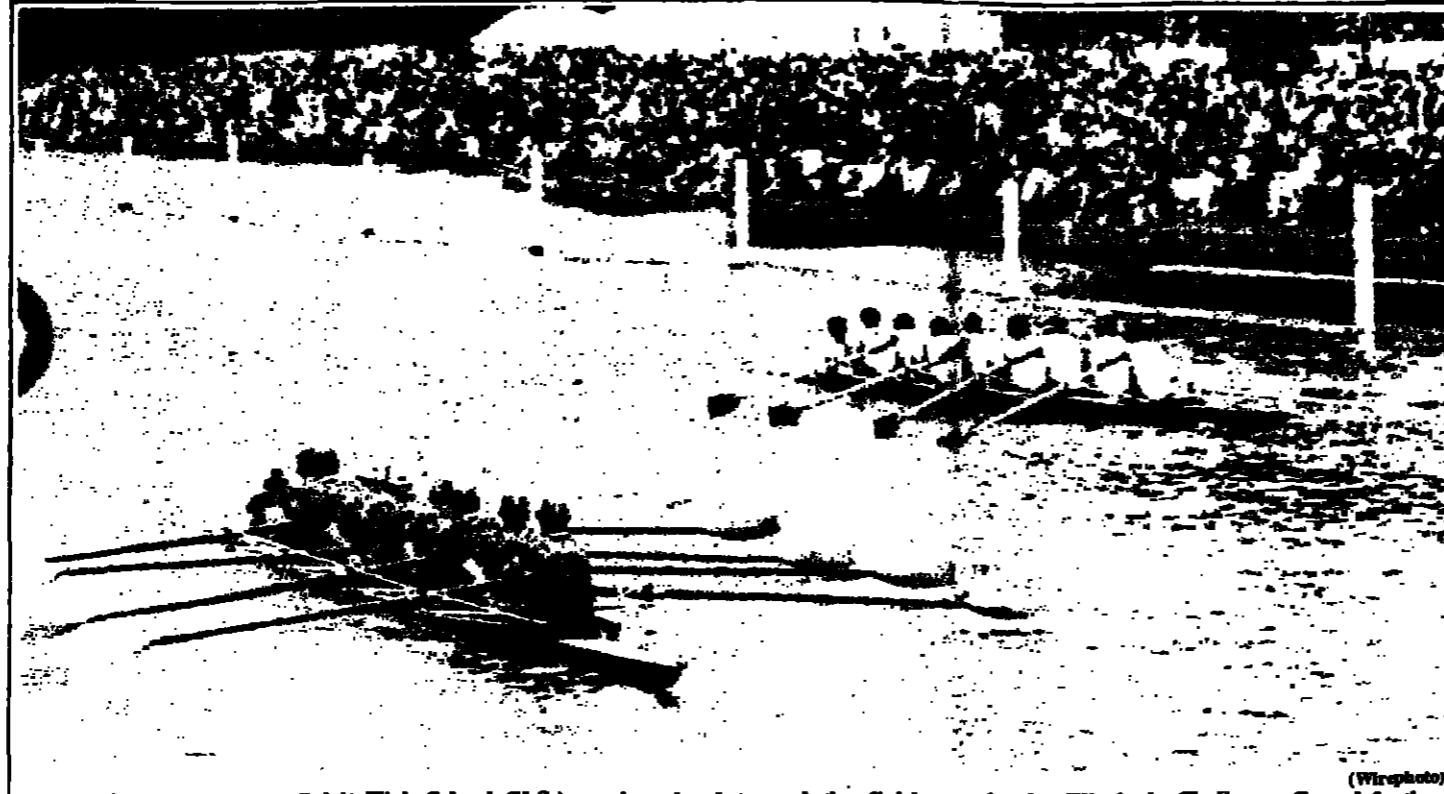
Australia put up the 300 about three quarters of an hour before lunch, with Bright on 26 and Lillee 13.

Australia passed England's total following a cover drive by the bearded Ray Bright pushing on the score to 314 for eight.

Five minutes later with the score still on 314 John Emburey broke the stubborn stand dismissing Bright lbw for 33. Lillee, on 18, was then joined by lastman, Terry Alderman.

Meanwhile, Gehan Mendis, the Sussex opener, hit a sparkling unbeaten 125 against Gloucestershire at Hove Sunday to help his side to victory by 51 runs. Their John Player League Cricket Match, Top-of-the-table Sussex made 287 for and Gloucestershire also batted briskly to reach 236 for six.

Mendis and Gould opened the Sussex innings in enterprising fashion, taking 25 runs off the first five overs. Zaheer Abbas kept Gloucestershire in the hunt with 53, but when he was run out at 108 the task became too much.



GLIDING AHEAD: Holy Spirit High School (U.S.) moving ahead toward the finish to win the Elizabeth Challenge Cup defeating Emanuel School (Britain) by one and a half lengths at the annual regatta Sunday.

**BRIEFS**

LUXEMBOURG, (AP) — Finland and Egypt took winning 3-0 leads over Luxembourg and Japan respectively in the first round matches of the Galicia Cup Team Tennis Championships here Sunday. In Gyor, Hungary, host Hungary and Denmark gained 2-1 leads over Turkey and Romania respectively while Britain beat Morocco 3-0 in Lee-On-Solent.

CHIASSO, Switzerland, (R) — Spain led by strong men's team, won all the relay races to gain top points in an eight-nation swimming competition this weekend. Norway, winners of the event for the last six years, came second with 203 points against Spain's 222.5, with host Switzerland a surprise third thanks to the success of their women swimmers.

MADRAS, India, (AP) — Reuben Rodriguez of the Philippines was upset Sunday by Indian Manuel Aaron in the first round of the final leg of the Asian Masters' Chess Circuit Tournament here. Aaron, who played the bishop check in the third move against Rodriguez's Sicilian defense, earned full points for the victory.

DURBAN, South Africa, (AFP) — Australian Cheyne Horan won the "Gunston 500" Surfing Championship final here Sunday to take \$5,900 first prize and a strong lead in the World Championship Table. Martin Potter, 15, of South Africa, the youngest professional in the world was the losing finalist. He collected \$3,540.

also far ahead of the pack.

In the women's races, American favorite and 1977 classic winner, Connie Carpenter took the red race leader's jersey after the first stage in the Boulder Mall Criterium and managed to hold onto it through the course of the competition.

Lemon, a rider for the Renault team of France captured the spotlight Saturday and took the overall lead for good, keeping pace with four aggressive Soviets to finish a tantalizingly close second to Russian Yuri Barinov, a bronze medalist at the 1980 summer Olympics and third overall in the classic.

Soviet teammates Yuri Kashirin and Sergei Sukhoruchenkov finished second and fourth overall to tie up the team victory.

## Aussies to deny Springboks transit facilities

DAR-ES-SALAAM, Tanzania, July 6 (AP) — Australian Transport Minister Ralph Hunt has said that his country will not offer any kind of transit facilities to the South African Springboks Rugby Union team if their tour of New Zealand goes ahead.

Hunt, whose comments were made to the government newspaper *Daily News*, when he arrived here for talks with Tanzanian foreign Minister Salim Ahmed Salim, said he still hoped that New Zealand would not embrace apartheid by allowing the South African team in their country.

Australia is anxious that the controversial tour could lead to a boycott by African Commonwealth countries of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference in Melbourne in September and the Commonwealth Games in Brisbane next year.

New Zealand Prime Minister Robert Muldoon, whose government has refused to intervene directly to stop the tour, is to appear on nationwide television and radio Monday night to appeal to the New Zealand Rugby Union to call it off.

Meanwhile, captain Jean-Pierre Rives and wing Pierre Lacans are to test their fitness after injury in the next match of their Rugby Union tour against the modest team "New South Wales Country" on Wednesday.

If they stand up to it well enough they could be back to bolster up the depleted French side for the second Test against Australia on July 11 at Sydney.

## In European Cup

## British athletes too good

HELSINKI, July 6 (R) — Britain blasted the athletics world wide open Sunday humbling the mighty Soviet Union in the Men's European Cup Semifinal. It was Britain's biggest track and field coup for decades in team competition and was achieved by a squad which came to Helsinki half-expecting to finish third behind the Russians and the Finns.

But the Soviet Union were devastated on the second day of the two-day match in which Britain won five of the 10 events and the Finns four — leaving the Russians one meagre triumph. Remarkably, Britain wound up with nine victories out of 20 events contested over the two days — a target even the ambitious Russians would have dismissed as improbable.

Britain finished with 134 points followed by the Soviet Union (128), Finland (115.5), Yugoslavia (88), Bulgaria (83.5), Sweden (75), Norway (64) and Turkey (20). Britain and the Soviet Union now go forward to the 'A' finals in Zagreb, Yugoslavia, on August 15-16.

Inevitably, British Olympic champions Allan Wells and Sebastian Coe were in a class of their own in the 200 and 800 meters, winning in 20.81 seconds and one minute 47.57 seconds respectively.

A British triumph in 3:04.87 in the 4x400 relay was also on the cards but no one could have anticipated a pole vault victory for Keith Stock with a Commonwealth record of 5.60 meters. Olympic pole vault silver medalist Konstantin Vilkov of the Soviet Union was a dismal fourth 5.20 meters.

Britain's edge over the Russians was

typified by Barry Smith's 5,000 meters victory in 13:47.02 over Valeri Abramov. The Russian was narrowly ahead all the way along the finishing straight — until Smith caught him on the line to win by one hundredth of a second.

Meanwhile, East Germany easily won in France and Italy fought off a French challenge to claim the other place in next month's finals in Yugoslavia. The Germans improved on a 13-point overnight lead to finish 18 ahead of Italy, who with 125 were 16 ahead of the French.

Sunday France were within two points of Italy, but Liapam's winning 16.42 meters triple jump and victory in the 4x400 meters put the Italians out of reach. France's hopes of beating an Italian team now without Olympic sprint champion Pietro Mennea were finally dashed when pole vaulter Thierry Vigneron, who has cleared 5.80 meters and briefly held the world record, failed to clear the bar at 5.40 and let precious points go to Desrues of Belgium.

East Germany gained 10 wins in the 20 events, including an impressive 13.65 seconds success in the 110 meters hurdles by Olympic champion Thomas Munkelt and an easy win in the 1,500 meters by Olympic silver medalist Olaf Bayer.

In the women's event in Frankfurt, West Germany, East and West Germany grabbed the bulk of the points but Jaromila Kratochvilova of Czechoslovakia took the individual honors.

Kratochvilova, Olympic silver medalist and already top of the 1981 rankings, ran the fastest 400 meters in the world this year when she clocked 49.17 seconds.

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## Ballesteros grabs Scandinavian Open

LINKOPING, Sweden, July 6 (AP) — Severiano Ballesteros, sharpening his short game to near perfection, stripped five shots from par for a 66 and scored a five-stroke victory Sunday in the \$100,000 Scandinavian Enterprise Open Golf Championships.

The 24-year-old Spaniard, using a new putter his brother Manuel recently gave him, needed only 23 putts and birdied six of the final 18 holes on the tight, 6,504 yard Linkoping Country Club course for his first tournament victory in one year.

"I haven't putted so well since I won the U.S. Masters last spring," Ballesteros said later. "Too bad I had to give away the putter I used at Augusta."

Seve became the first two-time victor of this tournament that Jack Nicklaus once failed to win — then known as the Volvo Open with an 11-under-par 273 total. It was a big confidence booster for the slumped-riden Ballesteros with only two weeks left before the British Open, the third Grand Slam event of the season, at Royal St. George's.

Winner of the British Open in 1979 and the U.S. Masters last year, Ballesteros was hailed as Europe's big hope against the Americans.

However, he failed to challenge in this year's Masters and the U.S. Open, played poorly in other tournaments on the American tour and was tripped of membership in the European Tournament Players' Division because of an appearance fee controversy.

Ballesteros, playing before a gallery of some 10,000 fans, picked up \$16,000 for his victory here but reportedly made as much for just showing up.

Antonio Garrido set a course record with a 65 that moved him to second place at 278 for a Spanish double victory. Nick Faldo, the top British player here, finished third at 281. Manuel Pinero, another Spaniard, was one

stroke further back. Faldo closed with a 70 and Pinero a 72.

Bernhard Langer of West Germany, Europe's leading money winner this season, finished fifth at 283. Tony Jacklin of England, a former U.S. and British Open champ, finished eighth at 286 for one of his best showings recently.

Meanwhile, Ed Fiori, enjoying of his golfing career, tamed Dutcher National Sunday for a tournament-record 11-under-par total of 277 and the 78th Western Open champion-

ship. The 28-year-old Californian avoided the bogeys that struck his challengers, shooting a 5-under-par 67 and picking up the first-prize check of \$54,000. He erased the 72-hole course record of 281 that Scott Simpson had posted in winning the Western a year ago.

In registering his second Professional Golfers' Association tour victory in four seasons, Fiori beat Jim Simons, Jim Colcord and Greg Powers by four shots. Simons, Colcord and Powers, the midpoint leader, all closed with 2-under-par 70s for 281s, each earning \$22,400.

Bill Rogers was fourth with a 2-over-par 74 for 282 on this Suburban Chicago course that measures 7,097 yards. Fiori's performance pushed his 1981 earnings past \$89,000 making it his biggest season yet. He won \$79,000 a year ago, his previous best.

In the women's event at Dorion, Jan Stephenson of Australia rolled in a 15-foot birdie putt on the 18th green to avert a possible three-way playoff and win the \$200,000 Peter Jackson classic.

It was the first tour victory of the season for Stephenson, who last won a major tournament in March 1980, capturing the Sun City Classic in Arizona.

## Eurodrive leaves Rome

By Laurie Thomas

ROME, July 6 — The Eurodrive fleet of ten black Golf GTI cars left Rome Saturday morning having completed the first-leg of their European trip.

Eurodrive is a Saudi promotion campaign aimed at advertising their world champion racing driver Alan Jones, and the cars will drive through Europe and rendezvous with Jones at the Silverstone race track in England for the start of the British Grand Prix. The 4000 km. drive is scheduled to take two weeks.

The team of 16 drivers, all expatriates working in Jeddah, arrived in Rome early Friday morning at the end of a hectic 400 km. night drive from the ferry port of Brindisi on Italy's south eastern coast. The manager of the Saudi offices in Rome Eduardo Falzon, hosted, a press reception for the team Friday evening after the drivers had recovered from the overnight trip.

## Accord eludes baseball row

NEW YORK, July 6 (AP) — George Steinbrenner, principal owner of the New York Yankees, said Sunday he feels the issues in the Major League Baseball players' strike "can be brought to a head very quickly."

But Rusty Staub, player representative for the New York Mets, feels that the players and owners are just on two different planets.

Steinbrenner and Staub appeared on a TV talk show a day after negotiations broke off with no further talks scheduled. Hearings are set to begin here Monday morning before a National Labor Relations Board administrative law judge on an unfair-labor practice complaint against the owners.

Sunday was the 24th day of the strike, which has wiped out 304 games so far. At the heart of the strike is the issue of compensa-

tion to clubs who lose players through free agency.

In Seattle, Washington, Saturday, Bruce Bochte, Mariners' player representative and the club's biggest acquisition through the free agent re-entry draft said that if the strike lasts past Aug. 1, "it means the rest of the season. It's a siege, they are trying to starve us out."

Staub echoed that sentiment on the Talk show. "We firmly believe there are some hardline owners who have said, 'if we don't get what we want this year, we're going to hurt them,'" said Staub. "There are some people, there's no doubt on our minds — who want to break the union."

But Steinbrenner told the TV panel, "we didn't create a strike as far as I'm concerned." He added he didn't know of anybody in baseball "who wants to break the union."



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DOUBLE CHAMP: Spain's Severiano Ballesteros in action during the Scandinavian Open when he repeated his 1978 triumph to become the first two-time victor of the tournament Sunday.

## Real Madrid cagers top

SAO PAULO, July 6 (R) — Real Madrid of Spain won the World Club Basketball Championship in Sao Paulo Sunday, easily beating Sirlof of Brazil by 109 points to 83 in the final.

The Spanish team, who won all their eight matches in the tournament, outclassed their opponents who made several serious mistakes in the first half. Real Madrid led 54-36 at half-time and never lost their grip on the game although Sirlof pulled back 13 points at one stage. Delibasic was Real Madrid's top scorer with 33 points while Marquinhos scored 29 for the Brazilian team.

Clemson University of the United States beat Francana of Brazil 79-73 in the playoff for third and fourth places after trailing 38-45 at half-time.

Meanwhile, United States beat Canada 89-35 in the preliminary round of the William Jones Cup Women's Basketball Tournament in Taipei.

In two other matches, Taiwan White topped Singapore 91-34 and the Netherlands beat West Germany 52-46. Britain suffered their third setback by losing 72-52 to Sweden after trailing 35-22 at halftime in one of the three games held earlier in the day.

Champions South Korea scored and easy 119-42 victory over the Philippines, while New Zealand beat Thailand 74-31.

Canada, the United States, the Netherlands, West Germany, South Korea, New Zealand, Taiwan Blue and Taiwan White are through to the final round which begins on Tuesday after a rest day.

## Cabanas helps Cosmos get past Roughnecks

EAST RUTHERFORD, New Jersey, July 6 (AP) — Robert Cabanas' header in sudden-death overtime gave the Cosmos a 3-2 victory over the Tulsa Roughnecks in North American Soccer League action Sunday night.

Cabanas' high-arching header came off a sailing kick by Julio Cesar Romero, who was set up in turn by South African winger Steve Wegerle at 95:45.

The Cosmos appeared to have the game wrapped up with 55 seconds left in regulation time when Cabanas' first header broke a 1-1 tie. However, with just nine seconds left, Tulsa's Barry Wallace connected on a corner kick from Duncan McKenzie to even the score at 2-2. Victor Moreland also assisted on the play by tapping McKenzie's kick a few feet to the right inside the box positioning Wallace.

Giorgio Chinaglia scored the game's first goal early in the second half, and the Cosmos held their lead until 81:33 when McKenzie sank a pass from Wallace, evening the score at 81:33.

Romero and Chico Borja set up Chinaglia for the tally, which was Chinaglia's 19th goal against Tulsa and the most by any NASL player against one team.

Tulsa appeared to have tied the score midway through the first half when Dean Neal scored on a penalty kick. However, off-sides flags were thrown, the kick was disallowed, and players and officials began arguing furiously on the field.

Later, referee Paul Avis explained what happened: "there never was a penalty kick. I misread my linesman's signal. He gave me an off-side, which I did not see because I was watching the ruckus of players in the middle and then pointed to the off-side man. All I saw was the vertical flag, which is the league's signal for a penalty, so I misread his signal."

In another match, Toronto Blizzard, paced by Tore Cervin's goal and assist, snapped an eight-game losing streak, downing Jacksonville Tea Men 3-0 at Exhibition Stadium. It was the first NASL win for head coach Dave Turner, who took over from Keith Eddy over a week ago when he resigned.

The win ended a six-week drought for the Blizzard which hadn't won since May 27 — a 3-1 victory over Chicago Sting.

Cervin, a 30-year Swedish international, scored his second goal of the year at 37:18. He sprung into the clear on the left side, took a pass from midfielder Alex Cropley then slipped a seven-meter shot between Jacksonville goalie Arnie Mauser's legs into the net.

The Tea Men had earlier blown two opportunities to gain the lead when Tony Brown's shots hit the cross bar and side bar. Jibor Gemic, a newly acquired midfielder from Fort Lauderdale Strikers, made it 2-0 for Toronto when he pounded a 10-meter shot into the left corner in the 59th minute after a pin-point pass from Cervin.

Second-half substitute Luigi Martini, 32, headed in a free-kick from Gordon Sweetzer at 73:55 to complete the Toronto scoring. Tony Chursky, recorded his second shutout of the season as Toronto raised its dismal record to 5-15 while Jacksonville fell to 10-10.

In Montreal, Gordon Hill scored his team-leading 10th goal of the season, while striker Alan Willey and Thompson Usiyan added the others as Montreal Manic snapped a two-game losing streak with a 3-1 triumph over Minnesota Kickers.

Acie Ntsoeleng had the only reply for the kicks, who were beaten for the first time in five games.

Minnesota, now 12-8 in the year, remain in second place in the Central Division with 99 points.

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## DENNIS the MENACE

## Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR TUESDAY, JULY 7, 1981

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)

Be ingenious at work, but don't gloss over details. Distant news tends to be evasive. Luck is with you in partnerships.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)

Avoid careless expenditures. Romance comes unexpectedly. New job opportunities arise now, but beware of deception regarding money.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

Glib remarks could offend another. A partner is inclined to overdo, but both romance and children's affairs bring happiness.

CANCER (June 21 to July 20)

Children surprise you with their originality. Self-indulgence could lead to a health upset. Family and property matters are blessed.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)

Buy new things for the home. Avoid small disputes with friends. Slow down in romance. New creative projects will succeed.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

You're sparkling and inventive, but higher-ups need tactful handling. A home matter is

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

Close ties do the unexpected. Keep career aspirations within obtainable limits. Good news about investments and other financial matters.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

Ingenuity pays off on the job. Luck in connection with travel and distant interests. Friends tempt you to excess partying.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

Little things on the job can irk you. Good news from a distance. Be alert for a career opening that comes around.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

Recent career developments should be kind to yourself. Others are prone to find fault. Popular among friends makes you happy.

GOAT (Capricorn)

Recent career developments should be kind to yourself. Others are prone to find fault. Popular among friends makes you happy.

CROSSWORD

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1. Loser color

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16. U.S. power project of 1933

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25. Bowling alleys

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29. Chinese delicacy

31. N.Z. fort

34. Bench-warmer

35. Butter serving

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37. Of the Serbs, Croats, etc.

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# Al Oteiba warns Western oil firms

ABU DHABI, July 6 (WAM) — Mana Said Al Oteiba, UAE minister of petroleum and mineral resources, warned the international oil companies against taking any decisions that may harm the interests of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), whether individually or collectively.

Commenting on the decision by some of the international oil companies to suspend oil shipments from some oil producers because of the high prices, the minister said, "I strongly warn these companies that the OPEC countries will not watch with their hands behind their backs if the aim of these decisions is to harm the interests of the OPEC countries."

"The OPEC countries," the minister said "will deal with such companies in the light of their present attitude and there will be a black list for companies attempting to violate oil contracts already signed for oil purchasing."

"Clients who do not respect their obligations with the OPEC countries, will not find any oil to buy in the future when the equation of surplus oil is reversed," Al Oteiba said.

The minister added that the international oil market is bound to balance the supply and demand toward the end of this year if no new developments are forced on the international oil scene.

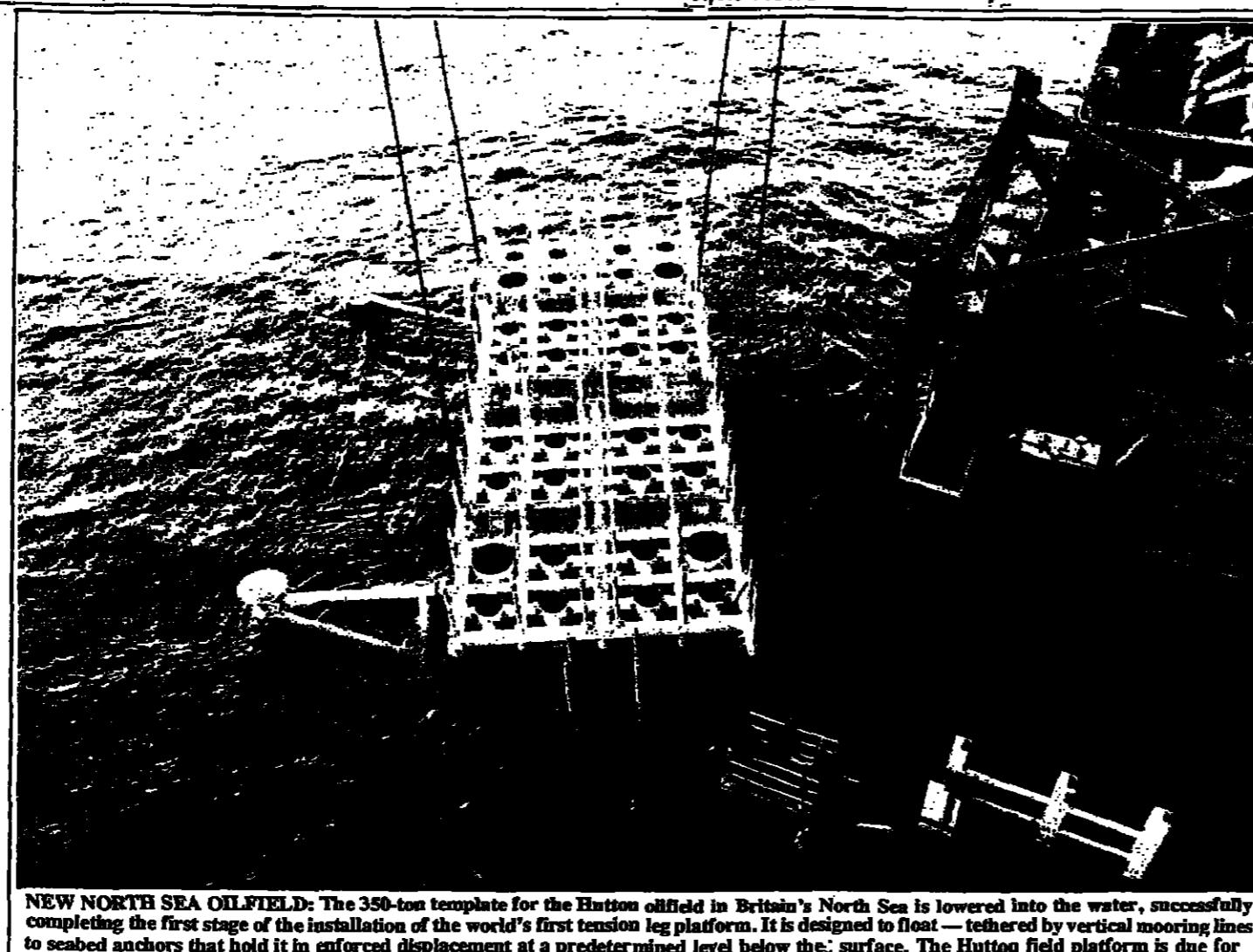
Another method of dealing with the current oil glut, Al Oteiba told the Dubai-based Al Bayan newspaper, is by reducing oil production for the second half of this year by no less than 10 percent as OPEC countries have done.

The minister disclosed that OPEC's current levels of oil production are 20 percent down on those during the first half of this year and that the present oil glut has helped in reducing the production further because the alternative open for the oil producers is to keep the oil in their oilfields if no buyer is available.

Asked whether the current situation calls for an emergency meeting of OPEC, Al Oteiba said that such a meeting will not be necessary considering that the next meeting will be held in Abu Dhabi in December. He added that contacts with other oil ministers will continue.

The time has come the minister said "to establish a unified price system for oil because any multi-based pricing systems at present will not last long, and the oil glut can be treated by such a unified pricing system."

Al Oteiba ruled out the possibility of other OPEC members, besides Ecuador, reducing the official price of oil although, he pointed out, some OPEC countries have canceled premiums because of the oil glut.



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## Tops in industry

### Japan trails the rest in agriculture

TOKYO, July 6 (R) — Japan's largely traditional and inefficient agricultural system presents a stark contrast to the country's modern, thriving industrial sector.

Japanese agriculture ministry officials admit that compared to the rest of the world Japanese agriculture is inefficient. And despite Japan's position as the world's second largest economy after the United States prospects for improvement in the agricultural sector are dim.

Japan spends about \$15 billion a year on importing food, more than almost any other country, and the price of food in Tokyo shops is higher than in almost any other major city in the world.

The government plans to increase Japan's self-sufficiency by 1990, but some analysts feel the results will be only marginal. They say the government has no plans to overcome the massive cost of subsidies paid to farmers or encourage efficiency.

In Japan, it takes 142 people to farm 100 hectares (247 acres) of land compared to only one person in the U.S. or 19 in Italy. Most farms in Japan are less than two hectares (five

acres) in area. The vast majority of farmers in Japan are part-time, often spending their weekdays in blue-collar jobs and more than half of them are more than 50 years old.

Analysts said this situation led to lack of motivation or desire to modernize their operations. They also said that farmers tend to use machinery — usually bought with subsidized loans — far too large for their needs. But the government and the powerful National Federation of Agricultural Cooperatives continue to maintain the small farmer despite the cost to the country in financing and import requirements.

Under present voting methods, the ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) depends on the rural vote, for a significant number of parliamentary seats. It is, therefore, unlikely that the LDP will yield to demands from some of the opposition for a change to the proportional representation system of parliamentary voting which would sharply reduce the political power of the agricultural sector and enable government reforms to be pushed through.

In a very few areas, such as poultry, Japanese farmers are efficient and productivity is a

high. Rice is the most traditional of Japan's crops, both on the farm and on the table. But rice consumption is dropping while production stays high.

Under an agreement with the U.S., Japan can export only a small amount of rice and has built up huge stocks, equivalent to about 60 percent of production. But the government continues to pay rice farmers at least three times the world market price for their crop and sells it at only marginally less to the consumer.

The encourage farmers to switch from rice, the agriculture ministry pays them premiums for growing other needed crops, such as wheat. Another example of protection is import restrictions. Of the 27 such restrictions imposed by Japan, 22 of them refer to imports of agricultural products.

The result of this system has been massive costs to the government, high prices for the consumer and little, if any, progress toward self-sufficiency in food. One analyst said the long-suffering Japanese consumers would probably soon begin lobbying strongly for a change, but this belief was not echoed by other experts.

**Moscow, Bonn set to resume pipeline talks**

on the project could be signed this year, possibly during a visit which Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev is due to make to West Germany in November, they said.

Soviet trade officials recently held intensive talks with West German companies seeking big orders to build the 5,000-km (3,000-mile) pipeline and related plant, the sources said.

The scheme, involving total investment of between 20 and 30 billion marks (\$8.4 and 12.6 billion) is designed to supply Western Europe with 40 billion cubic meters of natural gas a year from the mid-1980s.

The sources said the earlier problem of the interest which West German banks wanted on credit to finance part of the deal was no longer an obstacle. A greater difficulty was the price which the West German company Ruhrgas was prepared to pay for Siberian gas, they said.

Another factor was criticism of the proposed deal by the United States which some officials believe it would make Western Europe dangerously dependent on Soviet energy supplies, the sources said. U.S. officials said last week that the Reagan administration would insist on its European allies taking steps to guard against potential Soviet

### Kuwait gives \$50m to Sahel region

KUWAIT, July 6 (R) — Kuwait has decided to contribute \$50 million to the \$210-million Islamic fund for emergency aid to the drought-stricken countries of Africa's Sahel region, a government spokesman said.

The Islamic foreign ministers' conference in Baghdad last month approved the fund, to which Saudi Arabia pledged \$100 million, with the rest to come from Kuwait, Iraq and the United Arab Emirates (UAE). The Sahel region includes Mauritania, Senegal, Chad, Mali, Upper Volta, Niger and the Cape Verde Islands.

### SAUDI ARABIAN GOVERNMENT TENDERS

Authority	Description	Tenders No.	Price SR	Closing Date
University of Petroleum & Minerals	Maintenance of the automatic exchange of the university	—	200	23/6/81
Royal Saudi Air Force, Riyadh	Expansion of the macro-wave extension	—	300	21/7/81
University of Riyadh	Provision of athletic tools & clothes	11	100	16/7/81
Ministry of Communications	Pavement of Al-Hilwa road at Hoot Bani Tamim at 11.83 kms long	—	2000	18/7/81

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38.	Pacific Insurer(DB)	Alisabah	Bulk Cement	1.7.81
38.	Polar Star	Globe	Bulk Cement	30.6.81

## arab news Economy

### Financial Roundup

## Dollar touches dizzy heights

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, July 6 — The dollar remained very firm when the European markets opened Monday. In fact by late afternoon, the American currency reached new highs against most other currencies. Despite fears to the contrary, dollar interest rates also kept their strength and slightly firms in the Eurodollar markets. Gold fell sharply and by mid-day Monday had reached \$405 levels, confirming bullion dealers expectations of a \$400 level. Silver lost about another 30 cents to be quoted at \$8.25. On the local scene, riyal deposit rate reversed Sunday's easing trend and firmed between 1/4 and 1/2 percent in most tenors. Riyal spot against the dollar, however, seemed to go against the European exchange trends with local and Bahrain dealers selling below the SAMA (Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency) parity level of 3.41. Some local banks were said to be caught in a temporary liquidity shortage situation and were selling dollars.

The dollar made another leap on the European exchange markets Monday. The most noticeable gains were recorded against the German mark and French franc, but other gains were made in relation to the other major currencies. The French franc was quoted at 5.78 by mid-afternoon on the Paris exchange, compared to 5.73 on Friday closing. At this rate, the French currency is reaching the exchange post-war level against the dollar.

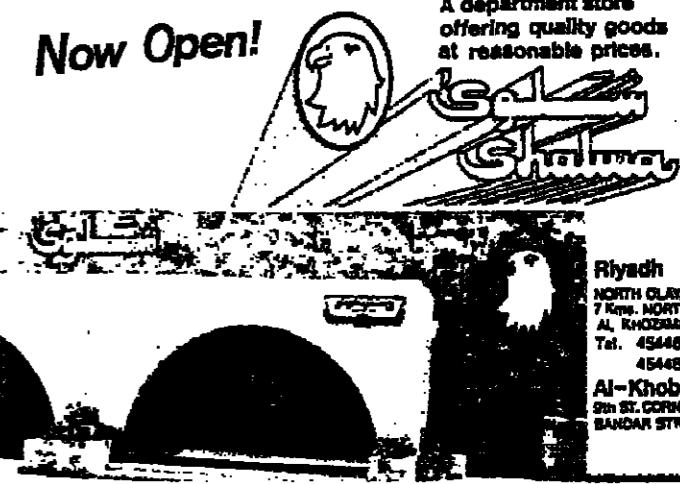
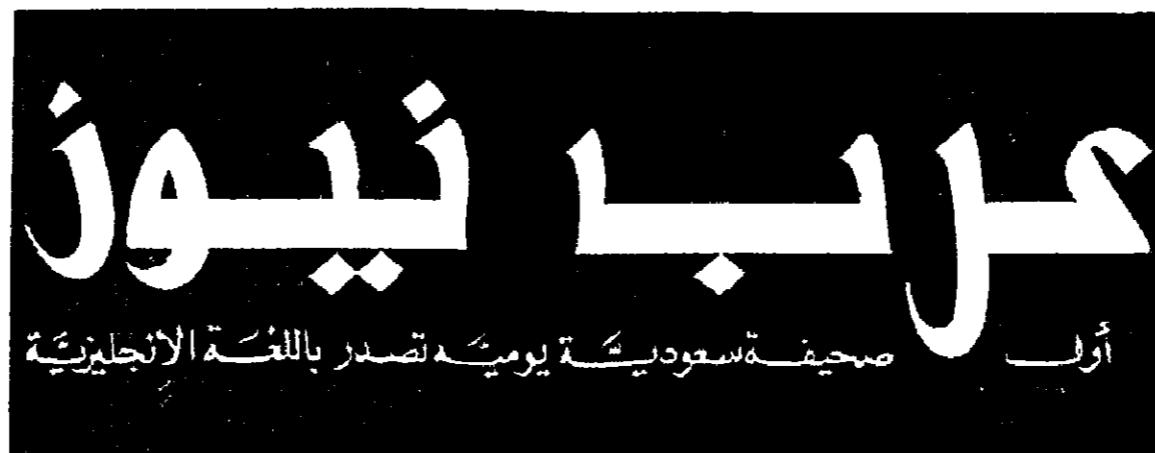
The financial markets did not detect any large French Central Bank interventions in support of the national currency with the French authorities gambling on the hope

that the dollar will fall back by itself if the markets perceive it to be overvalued. This was also the attitude of the German Central Bank — the Bundesbank — when it saw the mark reach a new all-time low level against the dollar of 2.41160 by late afternoon in Frankfurt — a fall of nearly 300 points against the dollar. The Swiss franc, which only 10 days ago had seemed to shake off the weak German mark and re-establish some credibility with foreign investors, also fell in the face of the rising dollar to 2.0910. The only currency that did not lose much ground to the dollar was the British pound, which fluctuated erratically between 1.8880 — 1.8900 throughout the day. The yen, however, continued to lose ground and averaged at 3.3030. A 300 points drop over Friday closings.

With dollar deposits still remaining firm at 18 11/16 — 18 13/16 percent for the one month, (although dealers are casting an anxious eye on coming events in New York on Monday night), local riyal deposit rates also firmed reversing Sunday's declines.

The short rates rose by about 1/2 percent, and reached levels of 16 1/2 — 17 percent, with one-month JIBOR rates averaging at 15 1/4 — 16 1/4, up from opening rates of 15 1/4 — 15 1/4. Long-term rates were little affected and one-year deposit rates were quoted at 15 1/4 — 15 1/4 percent. Some dealers reported riyal liquidity in the market through dollar sales by local banks at levels of 3.4098 — 03, down from Saturday's 3.

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Democratic changes

## Poles feel assured of Soviet approval

WARSAW, July 6 (Agencies) — Polish officials Monday declared themselves satisfied with the outcome of the visit by Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, seeing it as acceptance of a Communist Party Congress likely to legitimize most of the democratic changes of the past year.

Official sources said Gromyko's talks with Polish leaders, coming a week before the emergency party congress, had emphasized the common bond between their two countries and parties, and played down their differences.

The final communiqué concentrated on foreign policy, where the Poles have no quarrel with Moscow, and scarcely mentioned international developments in Poland which have seriously worried the Kremlin. The sources said the Gromyko visit was regarded as a sign of Moscow's grudging acceptance of the congress on July 14, which should set the seal on a year wide-ranging political, social and economic reforms.

It was also seen as an acceptance of the results of the central committee meeting last month in which party leader Stanislaw Kania

## 12 Indians hurt in clashes near Indira residence

NEW DELHI, July 6 (AP) — Hundreds of Indian building laborers, demanding a meeting with Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, battered policemen outside her residence Monday and at least 12 persons were injured in the clash, a witness reported. Police said 24 rioters were arrested. At least one policeman was among the injured, none of whom was seriously hurt.

The demonstrators, who wanted to meet Mrs. Gandhi and explain their demands for higher wages, hurled rocks, wooden clubs and shoes at the police when they were refused permission to meet her en masse Monday, the witness and police officials reported.

Law enforcement officers swung cane clubs and fired tear gas shells to disperse the rioters who sought to break through a police cordon, near Mrs. Gandhi's residence. It was not immediately known if Mrs. Gandhi was at home at the time of the disturbance.

The trouble apparently erupted after a delegation of the workers' leaders had met Mrs. Gandhi aides and agreed to a Tuesday appointment with the prime minister. However, a police official said that after returning to their followers, the labor leaders "incited the workers to break the (police) cordon."

"They pushed the women laborers to the front and got them to attack the policemen, while the men were in safer positions at the rear (of the rally)," a local reporter said. The demonstration was organized by the opposition All-India Socialist Party.

The workers demanded increases ranging from 60 percent to more than 400 percent in their daily wages. They also want free education for their children and homes of concrete and brick for themselves instead of the thatch and cardboard huts in which many of them now live.

survived an onslaught from hard-liners. The committee meeting followed receipt of a letter from Moscow sharply criticizing developments in Poland and, by implication, the party leadership as well.

Kania accepted some of Moscow's criticism and pledged to act against "counter-revolutionary" elements. But he reaffirmed his commitment to the reform process. There was a notable absence from the communiqué on Gromyko's visit of the usual references to the talks being held in a cordial, friendly atmosphere, but the official sources said these could not be expected so soon after such a critical letter.

The official Polish press Monday continued its low-key treatment of the visit, emphasizing that it was routine rather than emergency. The visit was reported on front pages but the communiqué itself was carried inside the newspapers.

The daily of the pro-Communist-United Peasants' Party, *Dziennik Ludowy*, commented: "Our friends confirmed once again that, despite their doubts as to the credibility of Poland as an ally and partner, despite their ideological reservations to some tendencies in Poland's contemporary political life and despite their open concern over the future destiny of socialism in Poland, the USSR continues to trust that the Poles will have enough strength and prudence to successfully solve their problems by themselves."

The independent union Solidarity said 21 percent of the 1,964 delegates to the party congress were Solidarity members. In the country as a whole around a third of the party's three million members belong to the union.

The Warsaw branch of Solidarity said in its daily news bulletin that it would call on the authorities to ensure that the congress was paid for out of party funds. It quoted a union member from a large state retail and food organization as saying the firm had been forced to provide catering for past congress at a considerable loss.

Meanwhile, East Germany's state-controlled press Monday described the situation in Poland as "extraordinarily serious" and claimed Western spy agencies were behind much of the unrest there.

## U.K. spaghetti exported to Italy

STONELEIGH, England, July 6 (AP) — Praising the efficiency of British farmers, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said Monday that Britain is now exporting Brussels sprouts to Brussels. It is also selling spaghetti to Italy, bulbs to Holland and sausages to Germany, she said, opening the annual royal agricultural show in rural Warwickshire, west-central England.

Britain's economy would be transformed if the whole of industry had performed as well as the strike-free, farming sector, Mrs. Thatcher said. Production increased 64 percent in 20 years; "a performance that is twice as good as that of our manufacturing industries."

## Red Brigades kill kidnapped executive after trial

VENICE, July 6 (Agencies) — The bullet-riddled body of Giuseppe Taliercio, an executive of Italy's largest petrochemical group kidnapped by the Red Brigades May 20, was found Sunday night in the trunk of a parked car, police reported Monday.

Taliercio, 53, one of the four persons kidnapped this year by Italy's left-wing terrorist organization, had been kept in a "people prison" after he was snatched by four persons from his home. He was director of the Montedison plant in Venice.

The Red Brigades made known 10 days ago that Taliercio had been found guilty and condemned to death as an "enemy of the working class" after being "tried." Police said they found Taliercio's body wrapped in a blanket inside the trunk of a car parked on a street near the Montedison plant. He had been hit on the head with a blunt instrument and shot 14 times in the chest.

"It was an execution similar to the one carried out by the Red Brigades against former Italian Premier Aldo Moro in 1978," a police officer said. Moro's body was found in a parked car on a downtown Rome street May 9, 1978.

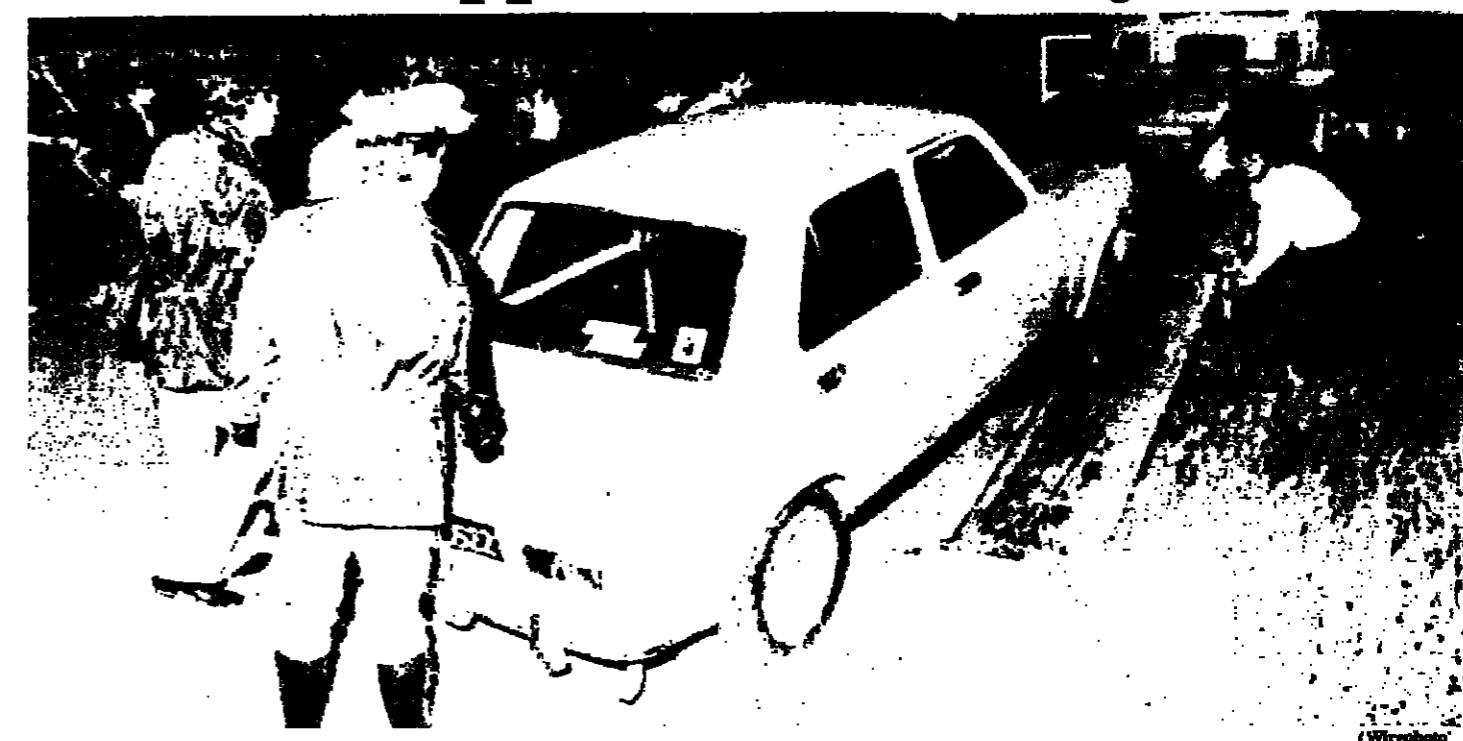
Police said they discovered Taliercio's body after an anonymous caller told the Venice offices of the Italian news agency ANSA: "This is the Red Brigades. You will find pig Taliercio in a blue 128 (Fiat) on via Beccaria, near the Montedison."

Taliercio was seized from his Venice home by a five-strong armed commandos and the Brigades described him as "a slave of the imperialist multinationals." His predecessor, Silvio Gori, was killed by the Brigades in January 1980 and another senior Montedison executive was shot in the legs last year.

The Red Brigades are still holding Naples Christian Democratic leader Ciro Cirillo, snatched April 27, Alfa Romeo labor relations officer Nello Sandrucci, who was abducted June 3, and Roberto Peci, brother of penitent former Red Brigades member and now police informer, kidnapped June 11.

The announcement of Taliercio's death caused heated emotion at the Montedison complex. Union leaders continued a protest meeting that they had already planned before the discovery of his body.

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BODY IN CAR: Venice policemen and people surround a car in which the body of Giuseppe Taliercio, killed by the Red Brigades, was found. The car was parked on a street near the Montedison plant where the victim was an executive. (Wirephoto)

## Italian press facing murderous blackmail

ROME, July 6 (AFP) — The Italian press is facing murderous blackmail by the Red Brigades terrorist group: Publish our communiques or the three hostages we are holding will die. The Red Brigades underlined their deadly earnestness Monday by executing their fourth hostage, 54-year-old Giuseppe Taliercio. He was one of four men held under a Red Brigades death sentence.

Newspaper editors are now asking the question: "Do we, or do we not publish Red Brigades communiques and save the lives of the other three hostages, or we refuse and put their lives at risk?" For the first time in their bloody history the Red Brigades held four hostages at the same time, but also for the first time the Italian press has given relatively little space to these kidnappings, reporting them only briefly and factually.

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ifestos", particularly after sentencing Taliercio to death June 26. So far only two newspapers have given into the Brigades' demands — *Avanti*, the organ of the Italian Socialist Party and the dissident Communist publication *Il Manifesto*.

*Il Manifesto* published a statement by Roberto Peci, seized by the Brigades on June 11 because he is the brother of former member Fabrizio Peci who has turned police informer. His revelations enabled the police to strike some crippling blows against the terrorists.

But apparently these two publications were not enough for the Brigades, which are showing their determination to go to the bitter end in forcing the entire Italian press to bow to its demands for their communiques and manifestos to be published. Newspaper owners and editors are faced with a crushing responsibility, for on their decision hangs the fate of three hostages.

But this blackmail is not a completely

new move by the Brigades which tried the same tactics when they abducted a judge last January and held him for 33 days.

At that time, only two of Italy's major newspaper — *Il Messaggero* and *Il Giorno* (liberal) weakened enough to give in to the demands. The following day the judge was released.

A bitter polemical quarrel then broke out in the press world in the form of acid editorials, although both sides — those who gave into the Red Brigades and those who formed the "refusal front" — were agreed that the state did not live up to its responsibilities. There was a major political split with the Communist Party, supporting firmness, clashing with the Socialist Party, which gave in to terrorists' demands.

One thing is certain, the Red Brigades have been successful in breaking the "wall of silence" built around it by the press — the execution of Taliercio was on the front pages of every newspaper Monday morning.

## China seeks accord on border disputes

PEKING, July 6 (AFP) — China has made a new indirect appeal to the Soviet Union for a settlement of the border problems between the two Socialist giants. This seemed to be the purpose of an article in Monday's *People's Daily* focusing on Peking's desire to solve border problems with neighboring countries through negotiations, observers said.

Noting that the 7,000-kilometer Sino-Soviet border was the result of "unequal treaties" concluded between Czarist Russia and China the Communist Party organ said that the Chinese government "is not claiming return of all the Chinese territory" thus lost



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## In talks with Carrington

### Moscow calls EEC's Afghan proposal unrealistic

MOSCOW, July 6 (Agencies) — The Soviet Union told British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington Monday that Common Market proposals for an international conference on Afghanistan were not a realistic way of solving the problem, British sources said. But Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, while criticizing the EEC plan, did not reject it out of hand during an opening session of talks devoted entirely to the Afghanistan problem.

Gromyko gave no promise to consider the proposal but he and Lord Carrington agreed to stay in touch and to meet in September at the U.N. General Assembly in New York.

Lord Carrington, currently president of the EEC, Council of Ministers, handed over to Gromyko a plan for a two-stage conference on Afghanistan approved by Common Market leaders at a summit in Luxembourg last week.

The British sources said Carrington stressed that it had been drawn up in the light of the Soviet views and was a "serious attempt to deal with a serious problem."

The EEC plan calls for a first stage conference involving the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, plus Afghanistan's neighbors. In the second stage, they would be joined by Afghan representatives.

British sources said Carrington explained the reasoning behind the division of the conference into stages, and the idea of postponing Afghan representation until the second, decision-making phase.

Gromyko criticized the suggested composition of the conference and the absence of

Afghan representatives in the first stage. He reiterated the standard position that the Kremlin's troops could be withdrawn only when "outside intervention" — a phrase used here to mean all resistance to the Kabul government.

At a daily news conference Monday, a foreign office spokesman would not comment on the Italian statement. He said merely that Carrington had exchanged views with his French and West German colleagues on the Moscow mission and that he intended to do the same in Rome with Colombo.

In Bonn, Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher Monday urged Moscow to respond positively to the West European call for an international conference on Afghanistan.

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